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- 1 VISALIA, CALIFORNIA, MAY 24, 2000 9:35 A.M.
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- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: Good morning, everyone.
- 4 Welcome to the second day of the California Integrated
- 5 Waste Management Board's May meeting.
- 6 Madam Secretary, please call the roll and
- 7 establish a quorum.
- 8 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Here.
- 10 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Here.
- BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Here.
- 14 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Here.
- 16 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Here.
- 18 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN Eaton.
- 19 CHAIRMAN EATON: Here.
- 20 Quorum has been established.
- 21 Okay. Members, any ex parte communications to
- 22 report this morning? I'll start on my left.
- 23 Mr. Paparian, any after one day?
- 24 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Went to the hoe down last

- 1 night but nobody talked about any specific solid waste
- 2 issues. It was awesome.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: But that bull got a lot of
- 4 play.
- 5 (Laughter)
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes, it did.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I have none.
- 9 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Roberti.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I went to the hoe down
- 11 and nobody talked about any solid waste issues, except I
- 12 guess I will ex parte that my former colleague and
- 13 friend, Mr. Tryce Harvey, who represents some clients.
- 14 guess that's sort of on the cusps of ex parte, so I will
- 15 say that I've spoken to Mr. Tryce Harvey.
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Medina.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Cruz Ramos of the USA
- 18 Waste of California at the hoe down, meet-and-greet; and
- 19 Supervisor Bill Sanders, County of Tulare Board of
- 20 Supervisors.
- 21 CHAIRMAN EATON: And I just had a quick hello
- 22 with Mark White on a matter not related to the Board.
- 23 Those of you who may not have been here
- 24 yesterday, if you desire to speak on any of the items on
- 25 our agenda at our May meeting, fill out one of the slips

- 1 which are outside and bring it up to the front and we
- 2 will make sure that you have an opportunity to speak on
- 3 that item at the appropriate time.
- 4 In addition, for those of you ho may have
- 5 arrived today and were not present yesterday, we
- 6 completed up to Item Number 33. So if you're here for
- 7 any item prior to Number 33, that item has already been
- 8 taken up and been decided by the Board. In addition,
- 9 today we'll start in with Item Number 34, but just for
- 10 purposes of bringing you up to the present, Items 36, 37,
- 11 38, 39, 43, 44, 45, 47, 48, 49, 50 and 58 were all
- 12 handled at yesterday's meeting as part of the consent
- 13 calendar or part of the Board's literation and will not
- 14 be up for consideration. If you are here for any of
- 15 those items, please feel free to go home and a job well
- 16 done. Okay.
- 17 With that, Members, anything to report that you
- 18 would like to report before we get started on our agenda?
- 19 Hearing none, Mr. Chandler, anything to report?
- 20 MR. CHANDLER: No, Mr. CHAIRMAN. Fine here. We
- 21 can start.
- 22 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right.
- 23 Item Number 34.
- 24 MS. MORGAN: Good morning, CHAIRMAN Eaton and
- 25 Members of the Board. My name is Cara Morgan with the

- 1 Office of Local Assistance, and I will be updating you on
- 2 Item Number 34, which is the current status of
- 3 jurisdictions on compliance.
- 4 There are 13 jurisdictions that have submitted
- 5 quarterly reports which were due since the April board
- 6 meeting. All of these jurisdictions have submitted their
- 7 reports on time and are meeting the requirements of their
- 8 compliance orders.
- 9 This month the Office of Local Assistance must
- 10 inform the Board that the cities of Westmorland in
- 11 Imperial County and Daly City in San Mateo County
- 12 completed generation studies that did not demonstrate a
- 13 25 percent diversion rate. Therefore, the cities will
- 14 meet with staff and perform a needs assessment to locate
- 15 program gaps and determine the time needed for a future
- 16 time extension request.
- 17 An information packet has been provided to you
- 18 which gives greater detail, including background
- 19 information and the current status for each just
- 20 jurisdiction.
- 21 That concludes my presentation. Are there any
- 22 questions for staff?
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions of Ms. Morgan?
- 24 Thank you.
- 25 MS. MORGAN: Thank you.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Item Number 35.
- 2 MR. MORALEZ: Good morning, Mr. CHAIRMAN. My
- 3 name is Phil Moralez. Item Number 35 is consideration of
- 4 approval of the procedures for reviewing and approving
- S state agency and state facility Integrated Waste
- 6 Management Plan.
- 7 Just a brief history on the item, AB 75 was
- 8 recently passed in October and signed by the Governor by
- 9 Author Strom-Martin. The added Sections are 40148-42928
- 10 to the Public Resources Code. The purpose of AB 75 was
- 11 to put into compliance state agencies under the same
- 12 mandates that were dictated under AB 939 for local
- 13 agencies, local government. It mandates state agencies,
- 14 large state facilities, community colleges and
- 15 universities, and state universities to divert 25 percent
- 16 by the year 2002 and 50 percent by the year 2004.
- 17 Year 2000 is long gone so -- the requirements
- 18 under AB 75 include by July 15, each state agency must
- 19 submit an Integrated Waste Management Plan to the Board
- 20 for approval. By January 1st, 2001, the Board must
- 21 review and approve those plans and beginning April 1st,
- 22 2002, all state agencies, large state facilities, CSUs
- 23 and college facilities must submit an annual report
- 24 noting their progress to meeting those goals.
- 25 The time frame in which we've been mandated to

- 1 complete these has been very fast and very quick moving.
- 2 The Board adopted the plan, a model plan, at the January
- 3 board meeting in 2000. Staff has conducted six
- 4 workshops, AB 75 workshops. What was impressive was not
- 5 only the number of workshops that staff was able to put
- 6 together but the number of attendees. Originally we
- 7 expected on the positive side around 200, 250 attendees
- 8 based on our prior history under the executive order for
- 9 Project Recycle. We had over 460 attendees and many more
- 10 who apologized and couldn't make it but were asking for
- 11 information.
- 12 As a result of those workshops, staff has
- 13 continued to provide ongoing assistance to those who
- 14 attended and were not able to attend and working with
- 15 them in developing their Integrated Waste Management
- 16 Plan.
- 17 So the question becomes what's next. Because of
- 18 the large number of attendees, we had originally
- 19 anticipated we would receive somewhere in the
- 20 neighborhood of close to 300 plans. Our estimate has
- 21 been updated and that we're now looking close to 600
- 22 plans. The reason being two-fold -- one, the large
- 23 response, the positive responses we had at the workshops.
- 24 We found there were state agencies, for example, county
- 25 fairs. County fair facilities are actually state

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- 1 facilities, so every county has a county fair and that
- 2 brought them into compliance under the terms of the
- 3 mandate of AB 75. So those numbers have increased as
- 4 well as others -- parks, race tracks, other things --
- 5 other areas that are state facilities in local government
- 6 jurisdictions. So our numbers have been moved to about
- 7 600 now.
- 8 We have developed and are developing internal
- 9 review process to try to expedite the process for the
- 10 Board. We've also developed a database in working with
- 11 PARIS for local jurisdictions in monitoring their
- 12 compliance and their program development. We are
- 13 following the same line. We have set up the model plans
- 14 in such a way that it's comparing apples and apples
- 15 rather than apples with oranges, but we're asking not
- 16 only for data as it relates to diversion, but we're
- 17 asking for program information as well, program
- 18 information being the key: We now must plan the process
- 19 of going through setting up a procedure for approving
- 20 these plans.
- 21 What brings us to the Board is under the AB 75,
- 22 Public Resources Code Section 42920 requires that the
- 23 Board adopt procedures for the approval of those plans.
- 24 So the action item before you today is in compliance with
- 25 that requirement. We have -- we believe that the process

- 1 we have provided for you also provides a procedural road
- 2 map for not only the Board but the jurisdictions and
- 3 state agencies and hopefully simplifies the process.
- 4 If you take a look at attachment number 2 on the
- 5 plan, there's a flowchart that kind of gives you a
- 6 scenario of how the plans will flow. There are really
- 7 only two types of plans that we are going to receive to
- 8 look at.
- 9 The first is a modified plan. A modified plan
- 10 is those state agencies that have less than 200 or less
- 11 employees and generate less than 100 tons annually. They
- 12 can request a modified plan, and that plan for them would
- 13 have to fill out the information as to what kind of
- 14 programs they have in place, what kind of programs
- 15 they're proposing to put into place to meet the mandates
- 16 under AB 75.
- 17 All other agencies must submit a complete plan
- 18 and that complete plan not only identifies the programs
- 19 they have in place and proposed programs, but also must
- 20 identify the level of diversion that they're currently
- 21 accomplishing and how they're going to reach the 25, 50
- 22 percent goal. As you might recall, the Board had
- 23 approved in the past a contract with UCLA to help develop
- 24 a waste diversion mechanism for the local jurisdictions
- 25 and the state agencies to use. It's been well-received

- 1 and it seems to be helping them in putting those plans
- 2 together very fast, in a very precise manner.
- 3 The test will be the annual reports. When we
- 4 receive the annual reports, then we'll be able to measure
- 5 from where they are and where they're going.
- 6 The procedures that we have in place will do two
- 7 things. One, it will invite a staff review. As the
- 8 plans are received, we will look at the plans in
- 9 compliance with the directives that are identified in the
- 10 model plan from the Board. We will then bring the plans
- 11 to the Board. Actually, we have two recommendations
- 12 there listed in the agenda item. One is that we bring
- 13 all the plans to the Board for the Board review and
- 14 approval, or that the plans be delegated or whatever
- 15 portions to be delegated to the Executive Director for
- 16 approval, and with that bring a report back to the Board,
- 17 a status of those plans.
- 18 We would recommend that once the plans are
- 19 approved we send a memo to the state agency letting them
- 20 know the plan has been approved and now we're going to
- 21 begin the monitoring process of what they're doing in
- 22 implementing programs. We will recommend and provide a
- 23 status report to the Board and also a progress report on
- 24 those plans for two reasons. Obviously the Board is
- 25 interested in terms of the state agency meeting that

- 1 under the mandates of AB 75, and there is good reason to
- 2 believe the legislature would also like to know what's
- 3 going on in that process. So it behooves us all to have
- 4 that information available.
- 5 Now, for those agencies that for whatever reason
- 6 do not submit the plan by the July 15th deadline and
- 7 we're not able to review it by the January 1st deadline,
- 8 we're recommending that the first step of notice be that
- 9 the Executive Director send a letter to them saying, "By
- 10 the way, we have not received your plan. Please provide
- 11 the plan within a certain time frame and staff is
- 12 available to help you."
- 13 If they still do not comply with that request,
- 14 then a second memo would go out from the Chair again to
- 15 those state agencies reminding them, kind of a second
- 16 notice, and say again, "Here is the need. You have to
- 17 have the plan by a certain time." And by the way, as the
- 18 law provides, if they do not submit a plan it is the
- 19 Board's authority and responsibility to develop a plan
- 20 for that agency, and I think we would want to encourage
- 21 them that perhaps they don't want us to develop a plan
- 22 for them. It would be in their best interests to develop
- 23 their own plan. That would be the second and third step
- 24 in the process.
- 25 Once the plans are submitted, irrespective of

- 1 when we receive them, by the January 1st deadline they
- 2 will go to staff and follow the same review process and
- 3 the same approval process to the Board. Again, late
- 4 submittals would be treated the same as other plans.
- 5 However, they would be noted they were late and the
- 6 staff, if they had to prepare a plan for the agency,
- 7 would do the same process.
- 8 Now, we recommend that if we reach a position
- 9 where we must prepare a plan for a state agency, that we
- 10 not do that until after January 1st, the cutoff date for
- 11 the Board's approval of those plans submitted by the
- 12 state agency. The reason being is that it's such a short
- 13 time frame for us to review and for the Board to approve
- 14 that anything after January 1st is really late and we
- 15 should notify as -- we recommend maintaining two lists,
- 16 those that complied and those that haven't. And those
- 17 that haven't by January 1st would be listed obviously as
- 18 non-compliance.
- 19 The item before you has two -- three
- 20 recommendations, obviously -- adopt procedures as
- 21 provided to you in the packet for Board approval to
- 22 review the plans or adopt procedures and delegate
- 23 authority to the Executive Director for review and report
- 24 back to the Board or, of course, the Board always has the
- 25 option to direct staff to make any combination or changes

- 1 in that.
- 2 Staff recommendation would be either options one
- 3 or two. And again, the process is one set in motion so
- 4 that we can meet the real tight time frames provided in
- 5 the law.
- 6 This concludes staff's presentation. If are
- 7 there any questions I can answer from the Board.
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions of Mr. Moralez?
- 9 Mr. Paparian.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Some of this we'll be
- 11 talking about separately. Is the Board providing any
- 12 technical assistance in the development or implementation
- 13 of these plans for the state agencies?
- 14 MR. MORALEZ: Yes. We have staff that are
- 15 broken down by agency type. We have a staff person
- 16 working directly with Caltrans, one working with
- 17 Corrections and one with state offices. And we're
- 18 working with their recycling coordinators and helping
- 19 them put a plan together providing when they are going to
- 20 implement their programs.
- 21 Then the TIA staff, as well as Office of Local
- 22 Assistance staff, are there to provide assistance to
- 23 those state jurisdictions and state offices and local
- 24 jurisdiction areas. And then we also have the model plan
- 25 that the Board adopted and approved that provides

- 1 guidelines for filling out, providing the information
- 2 witness.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Are prisons covered?
- 4 MR. MORALEZ: Yes, they are. They're
- 5 specifically identified as separate entities. We're
- 6 working very close with them. Actually, Corrections has
- 7 a central person in their office that has been
- 8 responsible for bringing all the plans together and we've
- 9 been working with them very closely.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very
- 13 much. As I said yesterday, I really enjoyed the workshop
- 14 that I attended. I thought it was very informative.
- 15 I know there was some questions from the
- 16 community colleges and perhaps from the state
- 17 universities also. Has the information gotten out there
- 18 that each campus is a standalone?
- 19 MR. MORALEZ: Yes. That question has come up a
- 20 couple of times. They wanted to submit it as a college
- 21 district rather than a college campus. But the law is
- 22 very specific, that it says college campuses and CSU
- 23 campuses will submit a plan. We've asked them if, for
- 24 example, the college district office is located on a
- 25 campus, they may be able to put it in that one campus as

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- 1 a facility there, but the campus must have its own IWMP.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Great. I just
- 3 want to make sure that they knew that.
- 4 MR. MORALEZ: They'd like to combine it, but
- 5 that's not what the law provides.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you very 7 much.
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. Moralez, the -- the
- 10 plans that are going to be developed and sent to you, and
- 11 I'm sure it's going to be similar to the cities, you're
- 12 going to be working with them to get it into a position
- 13 that it can come forward; correct?
- 14 MR. MORALEZ: Correct.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: My personal view would be
- 16 this -- when we went through the planning documents for
- 17 all of the -- all of the cities and counties, the work
- 18 was done at the staff level with the cities and then it
- 19 came forward and, you know, it was -- I'm not -- I think
- 20 there were a couple that were rejected by the Board, but
- 21 I think by and large almost all of them went through.
- 22 It would seem to me that -- I'm thinking out
- 23 loud -- this should be administerial to the Executive
- 24 Director unless there is a problem with that jurisdiction
- 25 rather than bring them forward. Because if we have 50 or

- 1 600 of these that come forward, in all likelihood they're
- 2 going to come forward in blocks that are going to be 50
- 3 or 60 that we're going to take one vote on. I think that
- 4 would probably make things move a whole lot easier if
- 5 those were signed off by the Executive Director and then
- 6 the ones that were problematic came to the Board. Just a
- 7 suggestion.
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: I would agree with you,
- 9 Mr. Jones, but I think with some modification. I would
- 10 ask that at the beginning of each month a status report
- 11 be sent to each of the Board Members as to what plans
- 12 have been submitted because there is some unique
- 13 expertise on this Board with regard to particular state
- 14 agencies and how they blend into an overall program.
- 15 Mr. Paparian mentioned prisons, but there are a
- 16 number of other state agencies, for whatever reason,
- 17 become integral parts of the mix as we deal with certain
- 18 issues that have a tremendous amount of impact for SB
- 19 1066. The failure, and this is no reflection upon the
- 20 staff, but any time you deal with an agency or a local
- 21 government or whatever, sometimes the right hand doesn't
- 22 know what the left hand is doing and there's always a
- 23 problem with communication no matter what kind of
- 24 mechanisms we actually set up.
- 25 How we actually use cross-media or

- 1 cross-integrate this information for all of us sets that
- 2 pattern. So while it's not a complete overall review,
- 3 it is one that I think is an option that we need to sort
- 4 of get in and make some suggestions. Especially if we're
- 5 going to be going for extensions of time, it's a unique
- 6 situation for us to be able to say if jurisdiction 11Y"
- 7 comes in and they have a particular state facility that's
- 8 impacting and we haven't seen that plan, I guess we can
- 9 call up that plan at that time, but it would seem that
- 10 would be one of the things we would want to have some
- 11 advance notice on and be prepared for it. It's really
- 12 more of a coordination.
- 13 Mr. Paparian, were you going to say something?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No.
- 15 MS. TOBIAS: What's the question?
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: There's no question.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Is that it, Phil?
- 18 MR. MORALEZ: That's it. That's it on my part.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I would like to
- 22 move approval of administrative procedures for approval
- 23 of Integrated Waste Management Plans, Resolution
- 24 2000-251.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson moves and
- 2 Mr. Paparian seconds we adopt Resolution 2000-251.
- 3 Madam Secretary, please call the roll.
- 4 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 6 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 8 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 10 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 12 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 14 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN Eaton.
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: Aye.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN, just a
- 17 question. Do we need to resolve that the -- do we need
- 18 to resolve that issue about how these things are going to
- 19 be delivered because the motion says we're going to take
- 20 two options, the one to direct staff -- I would -- you
- 21 know, I like this idea about getting a summary report
- 22 from the Executive Director. If there's problem ones, do
- 23 it, but I think that the staff is going to do this stuff
- 24 in such a way that we're going to end up having agenda
- 25 items that have 500, having an agenda item that has 300

- 1 agencies on it. It seems like we ought to rather just
- 2 save the time and have the Executive Director do it.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: So are you
- 4 speaking to option two, Mr. Jones?
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: A little twist on two that
- 6 combines Mr. Eaton's thing, let the Executive Director do
- 7 it. If there is a problem, bring it to the Board and
- 8 then monthly or -- I guess monthly would be okay. Give
- 9 us an update of the ones that are -- have been approved
- 10 and the ones that are creating a problem, then we can
- 11 determine -- I think that gets the essence of what
- 12 Mr. Eaton was saying.
- 13 CHAIRMAN EATON: I would like to get a report as
- 14 they come in on the one monthly before they're approved.
- 15 If they're approved, then the Board has no option under
- 16 the rules and regulations. What we want to do -- and I
- 17 agree with you, but a status report would be those that
- 18 were approved, but an issue is if the Executive Director
- 19 approves them and let's say, for instance, you have a
- 20 problem with a particular plan, I don't believe there's
- 21 any option for the Board to reconsider that. Is that
- 22 correct?
- 23 MR. MORALEZ: I'm sorry?
- 24 CHAIRMAN EATON: If the Executive Director under
- 25 your scheme approves a plan and subsequently later the

- 1 Board comes in and says that there's a problem with that
- 2 plan in our own mind, what process is there for the Board
- 3 to reconsider that?
- 4 MR. MORALEZ: I think we have a process in place
- 5 for that.
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: All it would be would be those
- 7 that came in that month. There would be a conditioned
- 8 precedent before they're approved. At least the Board
- 9 has to have notice.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just something sent to our
- 11 offices. Is that what you mean?
- 12 CHAIRMAN EATON: I mean I want to see when the
- 13 plan comes in. I want to see when PIA comes in. I want
- 14 to see -- but if it's approved by Ralph and there's no
- 15 process, what happens if there's a problem with the
- 16 jurisdiction and the jurisdiction can say "you approved
- 17 that plan." Just some advance notice would be helpful.
- 18 I think it's pretty clear. Ralph's shaking his head.
- 19 MS. TOBIAS: We will be adjusting the
- 20 resolution to reflect the motion as you discussed.
- 21 CHAIRMAN EATON: Great.
- 22 Items 36 through 39 were on consent calendar.
- 23 Item Number 40.
- 24 MS. MORGAN: Cara Morgan, Office of Local
- 25 Assistance.

- 1 Item Number 40 is consideration of the staff
- 2 recommendation to correct the base year for the
- 3 previously approved Source Reduction and Recycling
- 4 Element and consideration of staff's recommendation on
- 5 the 1997-1998 biennial review findings for the Source
- 6 Reduction and Recycling Element and Household Hazardous
- 7 Waste Element for the City of Hawaiian Gardens in Los
- 8 Angeles County.
- 9 The City of Hawaiian Gardens has requested a
- 10 correction to their 1990 base year disposal amount. The
- 11 Board approved the use of this method for allocating
- 12 omitted disposal tonnage to other jurisdictions within
- 13 L.A. County. The City has used this method to determine
- 14 the portion of unallocated 1990 disposal that should be
- 15 allocated to the City. Board staff have determined that
- 16 the request has been adequately documented.
- 17 Staff also conducted a biennial review of the
- 18 City of Hawaiian Gardens SRRE and HHWE in accordance with
- 19 the process described in the October 1997 Board-approved
- 20 biennial review process. The City of Hawaiian Gardens
- 21 has successfully implemented both their SRRE and  ${\tt HHWE}$
- 22 programs.
- 23 Staff are recommending approval of the City's
- 24 corrected base year and accepting the 1997-1998 biennial
- 25 review.

- 1 That concludes my presentation.
- 2 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions for Ms. Morgan?
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- S BOARD MEMBER JONES: I would like to move
- 6 adoption of Resolution 2000-234 to correct the base year
- 7 and to approve the biennial review and congratulate
- 8 Hawaiian Gardens for getting out of compliance and doing
- 9 a good job.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones moves and Mr. Medina
- 12 seconds that we adopt Resolution 2000-234.
- 13 Members, what we have done, if you wouldn't
- 14 mind, without objection we normally in these matters
- 15 substitute the previous roll call. It saves a little bit
- 16 of time. We didn't do it yesterday because there was
- 17 mostly money that was involved and also there should be a
- 18 record established in terms of the actual vote, but
- 19 perhaps some of these items without objection we
- 20 substitute the previous roll call.
- 21 There will be roll calls here, but for those of
- 22 you that's always a minority.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I was out of the
- 24 Assembly by the time they used to do that.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: You just had the stuff all on

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- 1 consent. There was no disagreement and you're out.
- 2 Without objection, we'll substitute the previous
- 3 roll call. Hearing no objection, so shall be ordered.
- 4 Next item, 41.
- 5 MR. DICK: Good morning, CHAIRMAN Eaton and
- 6 Members of the Board. My name is Gregory Dick with the
- 7 Office of Local Assistance.
- 8 Item 41 is the consideration of staff
- 9 recommendation to correct the base year for the
- 10 previously approved Source Reduction and Recycling
- 11 Element and consideration of the 1997-1998 biennial
- 12 review findings for the Source Reduction and Recycling
- 13 Element and Household Hazardous Waste Element for the
- 14 City of Mountain View, Santa Clara County.
- 15 City of Mountain View is requesting a correction
- 16 to their base year generation to include tonnage derived
- 17 from grasscycling.
- 18 Staff believes this request has been adequately
- 19 documented and recommends the request be approved, as
- 20 well as the Board accepting the 1997-1998 biennial review
- 21 findings.
- 22 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I will move adoption of
- 25 Resolution 2000-267, base year correction on the biennial

- 1 review.
- BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Second.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones moves and Mr. Medina
- 4 seconds we adopt Resolution 2000-267.
- 5 Without objection, we'll substitute the previous
- 6 roll call. Hearing no objection, so shall be
- 7 ordered.
- 8 Next, Item 42.
- 9 MS. MORGAN: Cara Morgan, Office of Local
- 10 Assistance.
- 11 Item Number 42 is consideration of the staff
- 12 recommendation to correct the base year for the
- 13 previously approved Source Reduction and Recycling
- 14 Elements for the Cities of Indio, Moreno Valley, Norco,
- 15 Palm Springs, Perris and San Jacinto in Riverside County.
- 16 These cities are requesting a correction to
- 17 their 1990 base year generation tonnage. In 1994,
- 18 Riverside County petitioned the Board for approval of
- 19 restricted materials in the 1990 base year. Board staff
- 20 agreed to recommend a claim for the diversion of this
- 21 tonnage, which is inert solids, into the base year. The
- 22 tonnage was allocated in the same proportions as in the
- 23 original waste characterization study used by each city
- 24 in their Source Reduction and Recycling Elements.
- 25 Staff have determined that the request has been

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- 1 adequately documented and, therefore, are recommending
- 2 that the request for the base year corrections for these
- 3 cities be approved.
- 4 That concludes my presentation.
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions of Ms. Morgan?
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just one.
- 7 We're including the inerts. I think that's
- 8 because they found there was a lot of re-recycling.
- 9 They're not taking this and filling up a mine and saying
- 10 it's recycling; are they?
- 11 MS. MORGAN: I don't believe so. This is
- 12 actually diversion.
- 13 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Roberti.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I think I probably missed
- 15 something here. What is the reasoning for the request
- 16 for the base year alteration?
- 17 MS. MORGAN: Senator, a large quantity of the
- 18 inert material was actually diverted in private
- 19 facilities in the 1990 base year, and this is the tonnage
- 20 that they're asking to be put back into their base year.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It was diverted in 1990.
- 22 MS. MORGAN: Urn-hum.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: If it was diverted in
- 24 1990, why is it unfair that it's not included?
- 25 MS. MORGAN: It was actually omitted in the

- 1 original waste characterization study data. So now that
- 2 they've gone back, reviewed those records, they're asking
- 3 that it be added back in.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Okay. I think I get it.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'll move adoption --
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: Before you do that, I just have
- 9 one slip, City of Moreno Valley. I have no name. If you
- 10 would come forward and like to speak, if would you
- 11 announce your name and I'll put it in the form here.
- 12 MS. ECHIVERIA: Good morning, Mr. CHAIRMAN and
- 13 Members of the Board. My name Eliza Echiveria and I'm
- 14 with the City of Moreno Valley, representing them, and I
- 15 appreciate the opportunity to be here today to let you
- 16 know that this is a matter of great importance to the
- 17 City of Moreno Valley.
- 18 Currently we are at -- in 1998 we have a 36
- 19 percent diversion rate. With this base year adjustment,
- 20 we stand to improve that diversion rate to 44 percent,
- 21 and I'm happy to say that preliminary records on the 1999
- 22 diversions are pushing us forward, one of the very few
- 23 cities that is actually showing more diversion.
- 24 We hope then by the year 2000 that we would be
- 25 able to make our 50 percent diversion rate and are

- 1 enacting more public relations information to our
- 2 citizens and establishing a green waste barrel program so
- 3 that we can hopefully attain that.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions of Ms. Echiveria?
- 5 Mr. Jones.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN, I'll move
- 7 adoption of Resolution 2000-239 --
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I have another
- 9 question -- V
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: I'm sorry.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: -- of our staff person.
- 12 If this material was being -- I'm trying to
- 13 understand it better. If this material was being
- 14 diverted in the base year, to what was it being diverted
- 15 or used?
- 16 MS. MORGAN: Actually, based upon staff's
- 17 review, it was private construction and demolition
- 18 recyclers documented the diversion of this tonnage.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: What did they do with it?
- 20 Diversion means -- is pretty broad.
- 21 MS. MORGAN: Various road projects using the
- 22 crushed concrete back into road projects, things of that
- 23 nature.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Was that something that
- 25 the cities themselves were formulating?

- 1 MS. MORGAN: Yes. They participated -- it was
- 2 found this diversion was occurring due to a local action.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: So if we didn't pass
- 4 this, we would certainly be penalizing this jurisdiction
- 5 for having been ahead of its time.
- 6 MS. MORGAN: Yeah, actually.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Okay. I understand now.
- 8 Very good.
- 9 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right. Mr. Jones moved.
- 10 I'll second, Mr. Jones.
- 11 Mr. Jones moves and Mr. Eaton seconds that we
- 12 adopt Resolution 2000-239.
- 13 Without objection, we'll substitute the previous
- 14 roll call. Hearing no objection, so shall be ordered.
- 15 Item Number 46.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: We're on 46?
- 17 CHAIRMAN EATON: Yes, because Items Number 43,
- 18 44 and. 45 were on yesterday's consent calendar.
- 19 Item Number 46.
- 20 MR. DICK: I'm Greg Dick with the Office of
- 21 Local Assistance.
- 22 Item 46 is consideration of staff recommendation
- 23 on the petition to reduce the summary plan requirements
- 24 and consideration of staff recommendation on the adequacy
- 25 of the Countywide Siting Element and Countywide

- 1 Integrated Waste Management Plan for Mono County.
- 2 First, the County has requested a full exemption
- 3 from the requirement to submit a summary plan. The
- 4 County meets the current regulatory requirements to
- 5 petition for such summary plan reduction and has
- 6 submitted documentation identifying the location of the
- 7 required summary plan information in other planning
- 8 documents.
- 9 Second is the consideration to approve the
- 10 County's Countywide Siting Element. The County has met
- 11 all content requirements for completion and submittal of
- 12 the final siting element. Third is the consideration to
- 13 approve the County's Countywide Integrated Waste
- 14 Management Plan.
- 15 Staff's recommendation is the approval of the
- 16 summary plan and the Countywide Siting Element which will
- 17 complete the County's Integrated Waste Management Plan.
- 18 This concludes my presentation. Are there any
- 19 questions for staff?
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions?
- 21 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 22 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson, please.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd like to
- 24 move Resolution 2000-215.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: I'll second that.

- 1 Without objection, substitute the previous roll
- 2 call. Hearing no objection, so shall be ordered.
- BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'll move
- 4 Resolution 2000-216.
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: I'll second it.
- 6 Without objection, I'll substitute the previous
- 7 roll call. Hearing no objection, so shall be ordered.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I'd also like
- 9 to move approval of Resolution 2000-217.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: I'll second that.
- 11 Without objection, substitute the previous roll
- 12 call. Hearing no objection, so shall be ordered.
- 13 Members of the audience, beg your indulgence
- 14 here for one second. Items number 47, 48, 49, 50 were on
- 15 yesterday's consent calendar.
- 16 That will move us to Item Number 51.
- 17 MR. DICK: Again, Greg Dick for the Office of
- 18 Local Assistance. Item 51 is a presentation of voluntary
- 19 assistance plans for the Consolidated Waste Management
- 20 Authority in the cities of Exeter, Farmersville,
- 21 Woodlake, and the unincorporated area of Tulare County.
- 22 In 1998, problems in Tulare County included
- 23 program implementation issues, diversion measurement
- 24 problems, and communication problems between the
- 25 jurisdictions. In late 1998 and early 1999, Tulare

- 1 County and city officials asked for help. They met with
- 2 Board staff, met to discuss the problems and develop a
- 3 plan of action to improve their waste management
- 4 programs. This plan includes the formation of the
- 5 education subcommittee to focus outreach and education
- 6 efforts on a regional level, includes new generation
- 7 studies for -- to correct the diversion numbers. Tulare
- 8 County had the Board approve a 1997 base year and the
- 9 Cities of Woodlake, as well as the Consolidated Waste
- 10 Management Authority, are currently working on new waste
- 11 generation studies.
- 12 Jurisdictions also asked for help from the
- 13 Board's Office of Local Assistance's targeted
- 14 implementation section to help with program development.
- 15 Jurisdictions in Tulare County voluntarily worked with
- 16 Board staff to determine program areas that need to be
- 17 addressed and these areas include developing or expanding
- 18 procurement policies to include the purchase of recycled
- 19 content materials, increasing public education efforts in
- 20 school recycling programs, performing waste assessments
- 21 for the largest commercial or agricultural generators in
- 22 implementing diversion programs, expanding the recycling
- 23 market development zone, and discussing regionalization.
- 24 The jurisdictions in Tulare County have
- 25 addressed these plans by adopting or expanding

- 1 procurement policies for recycled content material in the
- 2 Cities of Exeter, Lindsay, Porterville, Dinuba, Visalia
- 3 and Farmersville. The Cities of Tulare and Woodlake have
- 4 prepared procurement policies that still need to go
- 5 before their respective city councils.
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: Slow down for the court
- 7 reporter so she can get all of this. Thank you.
- 8 MR. DICK: The education subcommittee of the
- 9 Solid Waste Technical Advisory Committee has led the way
- 10 on public education for existing programs. They have
- 11 contracted with a private firm, Latronico Communications,
- 12 to create the countywide recycling logo, which you may
- 13 have seen yesterday at the hoe down all over the place,
- 14 and they've also produced videos highlighting solid waste
- 15 issues for air on local television.
- 16 Community Services and Employment Training,
- 17 Inc., or CSET, the Tulare County Conservation Corps, has
- 18 been instrumental in public education programs. CSET has
- 19 been especially effective in providing outreach and in
- 20 setting up and coordinating recycling programs at schools
- 21 throughout the County.
- 22 Along with staff from the Board, staffs from the
- 23 jurisdictions, haulers and consultants have conducted
- 24 waste audits and surveys for new waste generation studies
- 25 and to educate businesses on waste issues. At the

- 1 February 23rd-24th, 2000 board meeting, the Board
- 2 approved expansion of the Greater South San Joaquin
- 3 Valley RMDZ to include non-residentially zoned areas for
- 4 the cities of Exeter, Woodlake, Farmersville and Lindsay,
- 5 and to increase the existing non-residentially zoned
- 6 areas for the Cities of Dinuba, Tulare and the County of
- 7 Tulare.
- 8 At the December 14th meeting, the Board approved
- 9 the Regional Agency agreement for the Consolidated Waste
- 10 Management Authority, which includes the Cities of
- 11 Dinuba, Lindsay, Porterville, Tulare and Visalia.
- 12 In closing, I'd like to say it's been a pleasure
- 13 to work with the staffs from the cities, the counties,
- 14 the haulers, the consultants and all the other Board
- 15 staff that have come down here, but I would especially to
- 16 acknowledge the hard work of Heidi Sanborn and Diane
- 17 Shimizu, both formerly of the Office of Local Assistance.
- -18 This concludes my presentation. Jeff Monaco
- 19 from the Tulare County Resource Management Agency is here
- 20 to briefly discuss Tulare County's solid waste and
- 21 recycling infrastructure and what the future holds for
- 22 the jurisdiction in the counties.
- 23 Are there any questions for staff?
- 24 CHAIRMAN EATON: Questions? Thank you.
- 25 Mr. Monaco.

- 1 MR. MONACO: Good morning, Mr. CHAIRMAN, Members
- 2 of the Board. Greg has done a very good job outlining
- 3 the details of these jurisdiction assistance plans.
- 4 I'd like to just briefly add a little broader
- 5 perspective to it, and I'll do it by mentioning several
- 6 months ago, Board Member Steve Jones attended an APWA
- 7 meeting and he made a very interesting presentation where
- 8 he talked about the infrastructure that Assembly Bill 939
- 9 has created throughout the entire state of California.
- 10 And the infrastructure of recycling programs and solid
- 11 waste management has been quite impressive in the entire
- 12 state the last ten years.
- 13 I mention that because after that particular
- 14 meeting, I thought about the infrastructure in Tulare
- 15 County that's been established because of AB 939. We
- 16 have several permitted composting facilities, several
- 17 material recovery facilities, we have an innovative
- 18 collection program, split container program in Visalia
- 19 and several unincorporated areas throughout Tulare
- 20 County.
- 21 I mention these things because when I listened
- 22 to the details that Greg had indicated in these
- 23 jurisdiction plans, all of these measures that have been
- 24 taken by the incorporated cities and unincorporated
- 25 Tulare County have added significantly to the

- 1 infrastructure in Tulare County and our ability to comply
- 2 with AB 939. When you look at things like procurement
- 3 policies and you look at the education programs and the
- 4 media campaign, things that may sound simple to those in
- 5 more urban jurisdictions, but that was quite an effort
- 6 here locally to get all of us together through the local
- 7 task force, through our Solid Waste Management Technical
- 8 Advisory Committee to accomplish these things.
- 9 So I would like to take the opportunity to thank
- 10 the Waste Board and thank the staff that has assisted us
- 11 in these jurisdiction plans and this targeted assistance
- 12 and thank you for the addition to our local
- 13 infrastructure that these items have created.
- 14 CHAIRMAN EATON: Thank you, Mr. Monaco. Any
- 15 questions? Thank you for your leadership in this county.
- 16 I know it has many, many concerns and they made the
- 17 effort to try and attain those.
- 18 All right. That item was an oral presentation.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just one comment, that I
- 22 know there was some grief in Tulare County. I don't know
- 23 if it's been resolved yet. When the County started
- 24 working with the TIA group, they were given a menu of
- 25 seven or eight things that they could do to accomplish

- 1 better numbers and better programs. Unfortunately, their
- 2 choices sometimes were staggered time-wise and they
- 3 formed a JPA, but if they're going to redo their numbers,
- 4 do a waste generation study, two of the five cities or
- 5 six jurisdictions have decided that they need to do waste
- 6 generation. The others don't, and that's something that
- 7 I think we're going to have to have a discussion about at
- 8 some point because we don't want to penalize a region
- 9 that's formed a JPA to try to get increased efficiencies
- 10 and increased -- and minimize expenses to do programs and
- 11 then because of our rules not allow a couple of
- 12 jurisdictions to be able to give them a more complete
- 13 picture of their city's wastestream at the expense of the
- 14 other cities that may have had different consultants or
- 15 different methods to get accurate numbers. And it really
- 16 does -- especially in a region like this, I think it
- 17 really creates an unfair economic burden that we're going
- 18 to have to at some point try to make sense of this and
- 19 see what makes sense to keep the playing field level so
- 20 that we don't do this with erasers and pencils, but also
- 21 so we're not arbitrary and just make jurisdictions cough
- 22 up a bunch of money because two or three in the region
- 23 have to get numbers.
- 24 So it's going to be a semi-complicated issue
- 25 that we're going to have to spend some time thinking

- 1 about because clearly it's not our -- we don't want the
- 2 results of our actions to unfairly burden innocent
- 3 jurisdictions. And so we're going to have to really
- 4 probably ask staff to come forward with an item that we
- 5 can really have a discussion about.
- 6 I think Tulare County and those cities are
- 7 working through this thing, but it's definitely probably
- 8 causing a lot of grief. I know it was brought up at the
- 9 APWA's meeting that I had with you. All right. Thanks.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Item Number 52.
- 11 MS. MORGAN: Cara Morgan, Office of Local
- 12 Assistance.
- 13 Agenda Item Number 52 is consideration of the
- 14 approval of scope of work for the school district
- 15 diversion project. In 1998, the Board created the
- 16 targeted assistance program to assist jurisdictions
- 17 struggling to meet the 50 percent requirement. The
- 18 targeted assistance program helps identify program gaps
- 19 and secures tools and training to implement recommended
- 20 programs.
- 21 For most targeted and even non-targeted
- 22 jurisdictions working with school districts, as well as
- 23 state facilities, still presents a challenge. Also,
- 24 working with school districts has been a challenge for
- 25 our staff who are looking to build expertise in

- 1 networking and assisting school districts with waste
- 2 prevention, recycling, composting, green building,
- 3 construction and demolition diversion, and procurement.
- 4 In 1998, the Board also identified organics as a
- 5 priority target area. Through the recent Board waste
- 6 characterization study, organic material still makes up a
- 7 large percentage of the wastestream. Also, based upon
- 8 the Board's 1996 school district diversion survey, very
- 9 few school districts have institutionalized waste
- 10 management programs and even fewer are diverting yard
- 11 waste, food waste and other organic materials.
- 12 In addition to assisting jurisdictions in
- 13 meeting their diversion requirement, the Board is also
- 14 responsible for implementing PRC 42620 which requires the
- 15 Board to assist school districts in implementing
- 16 integrated waste management programs. The legislation
- 17 also requires the Board to develop model school district
- 18 programs.
- 19 In an effort to provide better targeted
- 20 assistance to jurisdictions, divert organics from the
- 21 wastestream and implement PRC 42620, a proposal was
- 22 launched to tie these priorities together. This proposal
- 23 is the school district diversion project.
- 24 This proposal focuses on one institutional
- 25 segment, school districts. The methodology developed for

- 1 school districts will be used as a model for implementing
- 2 like programs in other institutional settings throughout
- 3 the state. School districts offer several advantages as
- 4 a precursor of institutional materials and waste
- 5 management programs throughout the state.
- 6 School district waste management programs
- 7 provide an opportunity to educate students, teachers,
- 8 staff and the community in the methodology, value and
- 9 ethic of integrated waste management programs and
- 10 sustainability. School districts are also distributed
- 11 throughout the state which presents an opportunity for us
- 12 to assist many jurisdictions. School districts are an
- 13 integral part of the communities that they serve.
- 14 A partnership between the school districts,
- 15 local governments and the Board have significant benefits
- 16 for all the partners. A partnership with the Board and
- 17 local governments provides school districts with the
- 18 expertise to achieve financial, educational and community
- 19 benefits. The partnership also provides the Board an
- 20 opportunity to develop staff expertise and program
- 21 techniques with which to implement a model program
- 22 statewide.
- 23 The project will solicit school districts to
- 24 participate with the Board as pilot projects to design a
- 25 model waste management system that evaluates the entire

- 1 materials management and waste management practices of
- 2 the districts. We are planning to develop a menu of
- 3 model segments which will be developed from which the
- 4 school districts can select to meet specific or desired
- 5 objectives. In this way, the model developed can be used
- 6 in all school districts whether they are large, small,
- 7 rural or urban, located wherever they are in the state.
- 8 The evaluation and analysis will focus on
- 9 discovery of opportunity for waste reduction, reuse,
- 10 recycling, and improved procurement of materials and
- 11 waste management services. The evaluation will also
- 12 identify opportunities for student involvement and
- 13 teacher training. We will be including teacher training
- 14 workshops on closing the loop, earth resources and our
- 15 waste management high school curriculum.
- 16 Among the elements to be included in the
- 17 analysis are evaluation of procurement practices and
- 18 product selection, including green building and recycled
- 19 content procurement; waste reduction, reuse, recycling,
- 20 composting, and construction and demolition diversion
- 21 opportunities. As we know, there's tremendous growth in
- 22 the state and we're seeing a lot of school districts
- 23 being built, so we hope to target and get them focused on
- 24 construction and demolition diversion as well as green
- 25 building.

- 1 We will also be evaluating waste handling
- 2 processes and we will be reviewing waste hauling,
- 3 recycling and disposal contracts. We will also be trying
- 4 to focus on developing more model joint powers of
- 5 agreements between school districts. We have a
- 6 particular model down in southern California. It seems
- 7 to be a very cast-effective approach, so we hope to share
- 8 this model.
- 9 The composting component of the project will
- 10 include an analysis of the organics component of the
- 11 wastestream in school districts including the cafeteria
- 12 setting, maintenance operations and even the classrooms.
- 13 It is proposed that the Board conduct the pilot
- 14 programs as a working partner with the school districts
- 15 involved. The project consultant will request
- 16 solicitation from school districts representing northern,
- 17 central and southern California to participate with the
- 18 Board as pilot projects to design a model waste
- 19 management system. The evaluation and analysis will
- 20 focus on discovery of opportunities for waste reduction,
- 21 reuse, recycling, composting and improved procurement
- 22 practices. The evaluation will also identify
- 23 opportunities for student involvement and teacher
- 24 training.
- 25 The consultant will also provide expertise and

- 1 insight into school administration business practices to
- 2 the Board; also review, analysis, evaluation and if
- 3 appropriate, development of recommendations for
- 4 renegotiated contracts, agreements and relationships with
- 5 procurement vendors and/or service providers;
- 6 facilitating workshops and other opportunities to enhance
- 7 collaboration between the Board, local jurisdictions and
- 8 the school districts; providing access to school
- 9 officials individually and through statewide associations
- 10 and other state and national organizations to train
- 11 school district superintendents, business officials, food
- 12 service officials on how they can implement comprehensive
- 13 integrated waste management programs.
- 14 Government Code Section 19130b requires
- 15 justification for why the Board is contemplating this
- 16 contract. We are on a very ambitious time line. Our
- 17 goal is to implement these school district pilot projects
- 18 in the coming school year. We hope to have the model
- 19 developed and begin dissemination of these model tools
- 20 next spring, spring of 2001. We also need to develop
- 21 expertise for our staff, so we will focus on training
- 22 Board staff in the process of assisting school districts
- 23 with developing integrated waste management programs.
- 24 We are also looking to the contract because we
- 25 need expertise and insight into school district

- 1 administration, management and business practices,
- 2 including contracts and purchasing. We are also looking
- 3 to establish a network with school district decision
- 4 makers such as superintendents, purchasing directors and
- 5 food service directors. We will also be developing
- 6 information technology as it relates to gathering and
- 7 tracking school district vendor contracts and
- 8 specifications.
- 9 The Board is planning on providing more
- 10 assistance to local jurisdictions in helping them work
- 11 with their school districts to develop comprehensive
- 12 waste management programs. The project will develop
- 13 models, outreach tools and strategies so that our staff
- 14 will have the tools that they need to assist local
- 15 jurisdictions and school districts.
- 16 The total cost for the project is \$380,000. In
- 17 an earlier item the Board approved redirection of funding
- 18 to fund this project. Originally the project was
- 19 approved in Contract Concept Number 62 in the form of a
- 20 grant program. Based upon an analysis of the need and
- 21 resources, staff recommends that this contract concept be
- 22 redesignated as a contract. In order to assist school
- 23 districts with developing integrated waste management
- 24 programs, staff and jurisdictions first need model
- 25 programs and tools that would be developed through this

- 1 contract. As I mentioned previously, the Board is also
- 2 responsible under PRC 42620 to develop the model school
- 3 district diversion program.
- 4 Staff is recommending the Board approve the
- 5 scope of work for the school district diversion contract
- 6 as well as the additional funding that was approved
- 7 earlier.
- 8 That concludes my presentation on the school
- 9 district diversion project.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any questions of Ms. Morgan?
- 11 Mr. Paparian.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I've actually looked at
- 13 that statute. It's a bill carried by Rusty Areias in the
- 14 early '90s. The program seems to be a really good match
- 15 between what's required under the law and how it's
- 16 actually being implemented.
- 17 A couple thoughts for staff. As this program is
- 18 being developed, if you could try to be sure that you
- 19 have some good baseline information about what's --
- 20 what's out there at the schools so that we have some way
- 21 of measuring the success of this type of program. I
- 22 think that would be important to get a good look at.
- 23 And the other thing is I don't know how
- 24 transferable this type of program might be, but I think
- 25 it might be interesting to look at the possibilities of

- 1 transference of this type of program to other types of
- 2 institutional and other types of business settings.
- 3 MS. MORGAN: Yes. And Mr. Paparian, for your
- 4 information, our Office of Local Assistance staff are
- 5 actually establishing that baseline currently. We sent a
- 6 survey out to all of the school districts in California
- 7 to conduct our year 2000 school district survey. So
- 8 we're hoping to really get a sense of where school
- 9 districts are and establish that baseline.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thanks.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EATON: Following up on Mr. Paparian's
- 12 point, how many schools are involved in the pilot
- 13 project?
- 14 MS. MORGAN: We haven't decided yet. What we're
- 15 first going to do is assess the interest. We're going to
- 16 be contacting school districts throughout the state.
- 17 We're looking anywhere from a half dozen school
- 18 districts, depends on the size, the number of programs
- 19 that they may or may not already have.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Half dozen to? You said from a
- 21 half dozen.
- 22 MS. MORGAN: To a dozen. Six to 12, three to
- 23 12.
- 24 CHAIRMAN EATON: Is there a selection process so
- 25 that we can get the most from a geographical population?

- 1 And I don't know what you would call them, large and
- 2 small school districts, they have about 15 different ways
- 3 so we get a good sample. Will that be part of the
- 4 contract?
- 5 MS. MORGAN: Yes. That will be part of the
- 6 selection process.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 9 Mr. Eaton. I would just like to enthusiastically speak
- 10 to the project.
- 11 As a former school board member, I know that
- 12 school boards and school administrators aren't as well
- 13 versed as they often should be in dealing with haulers,
- 14 and in so many of these different areas there's so much
- 15 to be learned, and I think that it would be a great pilot
- 16 program. I think it certainly would be transferable
- 17 because -- and the schools are just a perfect place to
- 18 start, I think, because they are distributed throughout,
- 19 as you said, the state. There's small ones. There's
- 20 large ones. They have central management. And I think
- 21 that as Governor Davis's representative, this certainly
- 22 goes along with the Governor's mandate for schools. And
- 23 I would just like to speak very enthusiastically for it.
- 24 And if there aren't any other questions, I'd like to move
- 25 the item.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Please do.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 3 I'd like to move the approval of Resolution
- 4 2000-2 -- 212 for the scope of work for the school
- 5 diversion -- school district diversion project fiscal
- 6 year 99-2000, Contract Concept Number 62.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right.
- 9 Ms. Moulton-Patterson moves and Mr. Paparian
- 10 seconds that we adopt Resolution 2000-212.
- 11 Without objection, we'll substitute the previous
- 12 roll call.
- 13 Item Number 53, which is the award of the
- 14 contract. If there aren't any questions -- the only
- 15 question that I would have, does the math add up since
- 16 the resolution calls for \$255,000? I think you talked
- 17 about redirection of funds. I want to make sure that
- 18 there are sufficient funds there. I think it's more
- 19 accounting. Yesterday we approved I believe \$175,000.
- 20 The resolution calls for \$255,000; is that correct, Cara?
- 21 MS. MORGAN: I'm sorry. For the previous item?
- 22 Yes.
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: No, I asked --
- 24 MS. MORGAN: Or for Item 53?
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: Item 53. I thought the

- 1 resolution was for --
- 2 MS. MORGAN: Item 52 does ask for redirection of
- 3 funds in the amount of \$255,000.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: So we have to go back. The
- 5 scope of work is including redirection of funds?
- 6 MS. MORGAN: Yes. That's correct.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EATON: Okay. Let me try. We probably
- 8 should take a roll call. The question that I have is if
- 9 you have \$255,000 and \$175,000, by my math that comes to
- 10 \$480,000.
- 11 MS. MORGAN: Yes. Karen's going to answer the
- 12 question.
- 13 CHAIRMAN EATON: I just want to get math right.
- 14 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: I agree with
- 15 you.
- 16 MS. FISH: It's --
- 17 CHAIRMAN EATON: That's the problem about
- 18 putting the scope of work in with the money and it gets
- 19 very confusing and that's why you keep it separate.
- 20 MS. FISH: If you look at the two amounts, it's
- 21 \$125,000 and \$80,000 which adds to \$205,000, not
- 22 \$255,000.
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: Was the resolution -- did I
- 24 read it wrong?
- 25 MS. FISH: \$125,000 and \$80,000 is \$205,000.

- 1 Yesterday \$175,000 was allocated. That equals the
- 2 \$380,000.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: So it is
- 4 \$380,000.
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: Right. Just want to get the
- S accounting.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you,
- 8 Mr. Eaton.
- 9 MS. FISH: The resolution should reflect
- 10 \$125,000 and \$80,000 and the scope of work being
- 11 \$205,000.
- 12 CHAIRMAN EATON: So Resolution 212 is incorrect.
- 13 MS. FISH: Correct.
- 14 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right. I'll get there.
- 15 So Members, without objection, if we could
- 16 strike the previous motion and approval of Resolution
- 17 2000-212.
- 18 Without objection, so shall be ordered.
- 19 Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Okay. I'd like
- 21 to move Resolution 2000-212 with the correction on the
- 22 resolution, fifth paragraph, \$2,005 -- \$205,000 in that
- 23 last line for redirection of funds in the amount of
- 24 \$205,000 to Contract Concept Number 62.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson moves and
- 2 Mr. Paparian seconds that we adopt Resolution 2000-212 to
- 3 be correct to \$205,000.
- 4 Now Item Number 53. I think.
- 5 MS. MORGAN: Thank you, CHAIRMAN. Cara Morgan
- 6 Office of Local Assistance.
- 7 Agenda Item Number 53 is consideration of
- 8 approval of award of contract with R&G Associates LLC for
- 9 the school district diversion project. This agenda item
- 10 is for the Board to consider the award of a California
- 11 master agreement contract for the school district
- 12 diversion project as outlined in the attached scope of
- 13 work.
- 14 On October 26-27, 1999, the Board approved
- 15 Contract Concept Number 62 for \$125,000 and Contract
- 16 Concept Number 76 for \$80,000. In the previous item on
- 17 yesterday's Board agenda, additional funding for this
- 18 project was considered regarding the redirection of funds
- 19 for this contract.
- 20 As I mentioned in the previous item, Government
- 21 Code Section 19130b requires justification for why the
- 22 work contemplated in these contracts cannot be performed
- 23 by staff of the Board or another state agency. If it's
- 24 all right with the Board, I won't repeat that.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: That would be most helpful.

- 1 MS. MORGAN: To repeat it or not?
- 2 CHAIRMAN EATON: No.
- 3 MS. MORGAN: Thank you. Staff have explored a
- 4 variety of mechanisms for encumbering the necessary
- 5 contract funds including request for proposals,
- 6 interagency agreements and California master services
- 7 agreement. After considerable analysis considering the
- 8 time constraints on the project, which include selecting
- 9 the school districts early in summer 2000 so the that the
- 10 projects may begin with the fall 2000 school year, it was
- 11 concluded that the California master service agreement
- 12 was the most efficient route for the Board.
- 13 Private companies by law given the opportunity
- 14 to sell their product or services to state agencies when
- 15 these products or services meet the needs of the state,
- 16 California master service agreements have been
- 17 competitively assessed and cost compared. California
- 18 master service agreements have completed this competitive
- 19 assessment so that each of the individual state agencies
- 20 do not need to repeat the process time and again.
- 21 The enabling legislation for the Department of
- 22 General Services, Government Code 14600, centralized the
- 23 procurement function allowing the state to leverage its
- 24 buying power by consolidating the requirements of many
- 25 agencies. California master service agreements are

- 1 statewide agreements that have been competitively bid,
- 2 the prices analyzed, and do not have dollar limits or
- 3 limitations to their use except as otherwise noted in the
- 4 agreement or contract.
- 5 The agreements have the unique advantage of
- 6 being specialized to the needs of the state agency while
- 7 still maintaining the flexibility to change as the needs
- 8 change. Department of General Services guidelines
- 9 require only one contractor to be contacted off the list.
- 10 Contractors are able to offer their services and support
- 11 for their products that is tailored to the customer's
- 12 need, in this case the California Integrated Waste
- 13 Management Board.
- 14 The scope of work being proposed for the school
- 15 district diversion project will be performed under a
- 16 California master agreement. The California master
- 17 services agreement is proposed with R&G Associates LLC
- 18 for an amount not to exceed \$380,000. R&G Associates LLC
- 19 will be utilized under the contract to complete the task
- 20 outlined in the attached scope of work.
- 21 In conclusion, staff recommends the Board award
- 22 the contract with R&G Associates LLC to fulfill the scope
- 23 of work for the school district diversion project.
- 24 That concludes my presentation.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Thank you.
- 2 I'd like to move approval of Resolution
- 3 2000-250, the award of contract with R&G Associates LLC
- 4 for the school district diversion project, fiscal year
- 5 99-200 Contract Concept Number 62.
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Paparian.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Second.
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right.
- 9 Ms. Moulton-Patterson moves and Mr. Paparian
- 10 seconds we adopt Resolution 2000-250.
- 11 Madam Secretary, please call the roll.
- 12 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 14 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 16 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 17 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 18 BOARD SECRETARY: Paparian.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 20 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 22 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN Eaton.
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: Aye.
- 24 It seems appropriate now that we're at this
- 25 point we'll take our short morning break and come back

- 1 and start up with Item 54 and finish with 57. So how
- 2 about a ten-minute break and that way we can kind of move
- 3 on.
- 4 (Brief recess taken)
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: Welcome back, everyone.
- 6 Any ex partes to report, Mr. Paparian?
- 7 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Meet-and-greets with
- 8 John Hunter and Yvonne Hunter, not related to each other,
- 9 as far as I know.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: A discussion with -- I
- 12 think his name is Jim Johnson, the LEA for Tulare County
- 13 who was responding to my comment yesterday about helping
- 14 us with surveying tire piles.
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Meet-and-greet
- 17 with Yvonne Hunter.
- 18 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Roberti.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: No.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Medina.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Meet-and-greet with Yvonne
- 22 Hunter.
- 23 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, I said "hello" to
- 24 Yvonne, yes. I'd better say that or I'll go to jail.
- 25 (Laughter)

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: As did I.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Ex parte to Yvonne
- 3 Hunter.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: Let the record reflect that
- 5 Ms. Hunter is present for purposes of the cities' quorum
- 6 here.
- 7 (Laughter)
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: Item Number 54.
- 9 MR. BLOCK: Yes.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Block.
- 11 MR. BLOCK: Yes. I'm Elliott Block from the
- 12 Board's Legal Office, and with me this morning is John
- 13 Sitts from the Waste Analysis Branch. We're going to do
- 14 a little bit of a tag team presentation here on Item 54
- 15 relating to transformation and ash residue in goal
- 16 measurement. I have been asked to mention that copies of
- 17 the presentation of the overheads are available outside
- 18 in the hall on the table that's out there.
- 19 Before I start on this first slide, which as you
- 20 can see is fairly dense with information, I wanted to
- 21 mention that attachment number 1 for this item, which
- 22 begins on 54-11, contains a more complete series of
- 23 excerpts from the relevant statutes and regulations
- 24 should you desire to look at them in more detail. A few
- 25 of the slides this morning will have some partial

- 1 excerpts from those, but we'll try not to spend too much
- 2 time in going over those too much as this is a more
- 3 general discussion overview-type of an item this morning.
- 4 So looking at this first slide, these are some
- 5 relevant statutes, excerpts from the Public Resources
- 6 Code relating to solid waste generation. Jurisdictions
- 7 under AB 939 are responsible for diverting the waste
- 8 generated within their borders.
- 9 The first excerpt that you see is a combined
- 10 excerpt from the two statutes that relate to the solid
- 11 waste generation studies cities and counties were
- 12 required to do for their plans, and you'll see that quote
- 13 talks about solid waste generated within the city or the
- 14 county must be representative of the solid waste
- 15 generated within and disposed of by the city. And the
- 16 second two quotes relate to how measurements are made for
- 17 looking at 25 and 50 percent diversion.
- 18 The excerpt up there talks about determining the
- 19 amount of reduction is from base year amounts and the
- 20 third quote talks about those base year amounts of solid
- 21 waste include the solid waste generated within a local
- 22 agency's jurisdiction.
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: Before your changing, I just --
- 24 someone put an item on my desk. Members, did you get
- 25 this as well relating to Stanislaus County?

- 1 For purposes of what we have to do, because
- 2 these have to be ex parte'd before we begin the process
- 3 here, so I'll do it for all the Board Members. Letter to
- 4 Lorraine Vankekerix from Jamie Aggers regarding Item
- 5 Number 54.
- 6 MR. SITTS: The next slide is a diagramatic
- 7 representation of what Elliott was just talking about.
- 8 We've got a city and when we're looking at the city has
- 9 to divert 50 percent of its waste, we're looking at the
- 10 50 percent of the waste generated within the borders. So
- 11 any city is going to be residential generators like
- 12 apartment buildings and houses, and business generators,
- 13 industry, commerce, that type of thing. And regardless
- 14 of where the residents buy their groceries and bring in
- 15 that material or where the feedstock comes from for the
- 16 businesses, once the waste is generated within that
- 17 jurisdiction, the waste is from that jurisdiction and
- 18 that's also regardless of where they then send it for
- 19 either disposal or diversion. So that's the universe
- 20 we're looking for, is the solid waste generated within
- 21 the borders of that city.
- 22 MR. BLOCK: Going back to the Public Resources
- 23 Code excerpts again, I think you can see how we put up
- 24 this presentation. I get the good fortune of reading
- 25 excerpts from statutes. Public Resource Code AB 939 sets

- 1 forth the statutory scheme that essentially, but not
- 2 completely, equates transformation with disposal for the
- 3 purposes of the 25 and 50 percent diversion requirements.
- 4 And you see up here a couple of quotes from relevant
- 5 statutes, the definition of disposal in the Public
- 6 Resources Code, and the part of the excerpt that's
- 7 missing that actually says for purposes of, it's part 2
- 8 which is the planning requirements. Disposal --
- 9 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Elliott, by that you
- 10 mean -- let's get it clear. The transformation in
- 11 disposal means that a jurisdiction which sends its trash
- 12 to a transformation facility is, in effect, sending it
- 13 for disposal the same as if they were sending it to a
- 14 landfill.
- 15 MR. BLOCK: That's correct.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: And that's pursuant to
- 17 which section?
- 18 MR. BLOCK: It's contained in all of these
- 19 excerpts that are up here, the primary one being the
- 20 definition of disposal. And the part of the quote that
- 21 you don't see, although it is in your materials, is that
- 22 specifically the definition says for purposes of part two
- 23 of the act, and part two of the planning requirements
- 24 disposal means landfill disposal or transformation at a
- 25 permitted facility.

- 1 The answer I should have said is a qualified yes
- 2 with one notable exception, which we're going to talk
- 3 about a little bit later in the presentation. There is
- 4 an exception to this rule, but I don't want to get there
- 5 just yet.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Okay.
- 7 MR. BLOCK: Also, we have just again the
- 8 definition of recycling specifically indicates the
- 9 transformation is not included within that definition.
- 10 And then the latter two excerpts again have to do with
- 11 how the 25 percent requirement is measured, and it
- 12 specifically talks about diverting 25 percent of solid
- 13 waste as part of the dot, dot, dot from landfill disposal
- 14 or transformation and then again in terms of how the base
- 15 rate is measured, that's talking about diversion from
- $16\ disposal$  or transformation, exactly the question that you
- 17 asked.
- 18 As I mentioned I'm going to talk a little bit
- 19 about the one exception to this rule, but John has a
- 20 couple of slides talking about these statutes.
- 21 MR. SITTS: The first one is diagramatic
- 22 representation and introduces a little bit of the
- 23 terminology that we use. You see there City A, which has
- 24 a transformation facility in it, and the cities in which
- 25 transformation facilities are located we call host

- 1 jurisdictions. If we start talking about host
- 2 jurisdictions, we're talking about in the case of
- 3 California, Long Beach, Commerce and Stanislaus
- 4 unincorporated because that's where the three
- 5 transformation facilities in California are located.
- 6 The other box represents a deliverer
- 7 jurisdiction, which are all those jurisdictions that send
- 8 waste to transformation. In this one you can see that
- 9 host jurisdiction can send waste to the transformation
- 10 facility as well.
- 11 Now, to put this into a bigger context, in
- 12 1998 -- and that's the information we'll be using here
- 13 because we have the full set of data for 1998 disposal --
- 14 about 98 percent of the waste disposed within California
- 15 was landfilled and the other 2 percent was transformed at
- 16 the three facilities that I mentioned. Of that 900,000
- 17 tons or 2 percent of the wastestream, the breakout is
- 18 about 500,000 tons go to the Long Beach facility SERRF,
- 19 approximately 100,000 tons go per year to the Commerce
- 20 facility, and then about 300,000 tons per year go to the
- 21 Stanislaus County facility which is the Ogdenmark
- 22 (phonetic) facility, and different jurisdictions use each
- 23 of those facilities.
- 24 So in this next slide you can see that this is a
- 25 picture of northern California. And for northern

- 1 California jurisdictions, they only use the Stanislaus
- 2 facility. We don't have any northern California
- 3 jurisdictions sending waste south to either of the
- 4 facilities in Los Angeles County.
- 5 The next slide shows the situation in southern
- 6 California, which is a lot more complicated. We've got
- 7 the two facilities in southern California but
- 8 jurisdictions in southern California also send their
- 9 waste to the facility in Stanislaus. So as you can see
- 10 from the big array of colors, some jurisdictions use one
- 11 facility, some use two, and some jurisdictions actually
- 12 use all three of those facilities. Overall in 1998 about
- 13 122 jurisdictions throughout the state used
- 14 transformation for disposal, so about a quarter of the
- 15 jurisdictions statewide.
- 16 MR. BLOCK: So as I mentioned before, there is
- 17 one exception to the general rule that transformation
- 18 equals disposal for the purposes of planning
- 19 requirements. For the purposes of measuring the 50
- 20 percent diversion requirement, statute provides that up
- 21 to 10 percent of the 50 percent diversion requirement can
- 22 include transformation, then you have two quotes here,
- 23 one which is specifically relating to -- it's a statute
- 24 specifically about doing that and the second quote is
- 25 another one relating to the measurement. One is relating

- 1 to the plan requirements and one relating to the
- 2 measurement requirements.
- 3 I should note, and John has a couple more slides
- 4 to illustrate this, when we talk about up to 10 percent
- 5 of the 50 percent requirement being allowed to be
- 6 transformationed, that means 10 of the 50 points, if you
- 7 will, rather than 10 of the 50 percent maybe might be
- 8 interpreted as being only 5 percent, and as well it's
- 9 important to emphasize that the way the statutory scheme
- 10 is set out, that means up to 10 percent of the
- 11 jurisdiction's diversion can be from sending their waste
- 12 to transformation, not -- it's not a measurement of 10
- 13 percent of what they sent to the transformation is what
- 14 they get. We're looking at the end product rather than
- 15 the beginning.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Say that again.
- 17 MR. BLOCK: And that's why I wanted to talk
- 18 about that. We've always had difficulty trying to write
- 19 this in our regulations as well.
- 20 The way the 10 percent is measured -- and John
- 21 has a slide that he can show on this as well a little bit
- 22 later -- but it's -- that's why we talk about points
- 23 rather than percent. 10 of the 50 percentage points can
- 24 be from transformation.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: I got that part, and

- 1 then you were talking about how it's applied.
- 2 MR. BLOCK: What that means, though, is when you
- 3 look at the jurisdiction at the end of the reporting year
- 4 and you figure out what they've sent to disposal, what
- 5 they've diverted and what they've sent to transformation,
- 6 but when the numbers are added up, up to 10 percent of
- 7 the diversion number can be from sending the waste to
- 8 transformation. That may be the entire amount of
- 9 material that they sent to transformation depending on
- 10 what their tonnage numbers are. It may be half, it may
- 11 be less. It's not 10 percent of what they actually send
- 12 to the site.
- MR. SITTS: Okay. Now, here are some slides to
- 14 again put this in perspective. This first one is about
- 15 the impact of transformation on the ability of
- 16 jurisdictions to reach 50 percent. This pie just
- 17 includes those jurisdictions sending waste to
- 18 transformation, so another 320 jurisdictions are totally
- 19 unaffected by this because they don't send any waste to
- 20 transformation. But of those sending waste to
- 21 transformation, 121 jurisdictions could still transform
- 22 the same amount of waste and reach the 50 percent mandate
- 23 because they're not transforming that much.
- 24 Two cities are transforming more -- a little
- 25 more than half their wastestream, but they still could

- 1 reach the 50 percent diversion mandate but that's because
- 2 of the 10 percent credit that they could get for the
- 3 transformation that Elliott was just mentioning. And
- 4 there's one city that transforms so much waste that they
- 5 couldn't actually reach the 50 percent diversion rate
- 6 even with the 10 percent transformation credit.
- 7 Again --
- 8 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: So what you're saying is --
- 10 if you would put up that other slide. The 121
- 11 jurisdictions could be as much as a pickup load that went
- 12 into Stanislaus; right?
- 13 MR. SITTS: Right. The 121 --
- 14 BOARD MEMBER JONES: -- through the reporting
- 15 system that a load originated in some jurisdiction and it
- 16 was assessed.
- 17 MR. SITTS: Right. And it's a small enough
- 18 amount that it doesn't exceed 50 percent of the waste
- 19 that they generate.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Right. The two cities that
- 21 are transforming a lot of waste would still meet it
- 22 because programs that they've instituted have them at
- 23 some number, 40 percent, 41 percent for the sake of
- 24 argument. You add 10 percent to that. It puts them over
- 25 the 50 or gets them to 50.

- 1 MR. SITTS: I'm not implying that all these
- 2 cities will make the 50 percent --
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: I understand.
- 4 MR. SITTS: -- but they're not transforming so
- 5 much that it would preclude them from making it, yes.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: What I'm trying to
- 7 establish is those two cities have programs that divert
- 8 enough material from the wastestream that that 10 percent
- 9 added to it puts them over that 50 percent number. So
- 10 it's the 10 percent diversion credit for transformation
- 11 plus programs that got them to 50.
- 12 MR. SITTS: Well, they're not necessarily at 50
- 13 yet, but they're on their way and could get there because
- 14 both of them are disposing of about 55 percent of their
- 15 waste through transformation.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay.
- 17 MR. SITTS: So if they diverted basically
- 18 everything else they'd be at 45, and yes, with the 10
- 19 percent they'd be at 55.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: And the one city that
- 21 couldn't transform would be somebody that's transforming
- 22 such a huge percent of their wastestream that 10 percent
- 23 has no effect on -- it has an effect but still under the
- 24 bar.
- 25 MR. SITTS: In this example, the city transforms

- 1 about 75 percent of their wastestream. So even if you
- 2 diverted everything that wasn't going to transformation,
- 3 it wouldn't bring you --
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: They'd beat 25 --
- 5 MR. SITTS: Right.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: -- and 10 would put them at
- 7 35.
- 8 MR. SITTS: Right.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay.
- 10 MR. SITTS: Thank you. You said it I think a
- 11 lot clearer than I did.
- 12 This next diagram here just again the
- 13 diagramatic representation to show that both the host
- 14 jurisdiction and the deliverer jurisdictions can get the
- 15 10 percent transformation credit.
- 16 This picture of northern California shows
- 17 different colors. The green is jurisdictions that send
- 18 only a little bit to transformation and they send so
- 19 little that they wouldn't even get one percentage point
- 20 diversion credit. The yellow shows jurisdictions that
- 21 would get between 1 and 9 percent. And then the red
- 22 shows the jurisdictions which would get the full 10
- 23 percent transformation credit. So again, we're not
- 24 looking at a lot of jurisdictions that are going to get a
- 25 lot of credit. Most jurisdictions that send waste to

- 1 transformation send small amounts that won't really
- 2 impact their diversion rates. And there were 11
- 3 jurisdictions in northern California that would get the
- 4 full 10 percent.
- 5 In southern California there's all these
- 6 jurisdictions. Again, the green is sending small
- 7 amounts, the yellow is sending enough to get between 1
- 8 and 9 points of the 50 points, and then the red is seven
- 9 jurisdictions which would actually get the full 10
- 10 percent transformation credit.
- 11 This is just a summary of that, of those prior
- 12 charts. Again, we've got the big blue there is all the
- 13 jurisdictions that aren't transforming at all, so they're
- 14 not impacted at all. The red is the -- about 97
- 15 jurisdictions that are going to get -- that are
- 16 transforming but aren't going to get even a full
- 17 percentage point. There are nine jurisdictions that are
- 18 going to get between 1 and 9 percent points toward the 50
- 19 percent and 18 jurisdictions that would get the full 10
- 20 points. This is all based on 1998 data. I don't have a
- 21 crystal ball for exactly what's going to happen in 2000.
- 22 There would be about 18 jurisdictions that would get the
- 23 full 10 percent.
- 24 This next graphic is what Elliott was
- 25 explaining. There are two columns here. The one on the

- 1 left would be a jurisdiction that sent exactly 10 percent
- 2 of their waste to transformation and that's that red box
- 3 at the bottom. And so because it's 10 percent of their
- 4 wastestream, all 10 of those tons would count as
- 5 diversion. So they're right at the credit limit for
- 6 transformation diversion.
- 7 In the other column on the right is a
- 8 jurisdiction that sends 20 tons to transformation or 20
- 9 percent of their wastestream. In that case the 10
- 10 percent limit still applies, so 10 tons would count as
- 11 diversion that was transformed and the other 10 tons
- 12 would count as disposal. So that's how we keep it from
- 13 going over the 10 percent diversion credit limit for
- 14 transformation.
- 15 MR. BLOCK: These are -- actually, this is just
- 16 a repeat of the slide we started off with earlier, again
- 17 showing the waste generation excerpts and talking about
- 18 waste generated within the jurisdiction, within a county
- 19 or city. And I just wanted to show these again because
- 20 they lead into the next slide which then starts to talk
- 21 about how this material is reported in the reporting
- 22 year.
- 23 The excepts here that talk about -- this is from
- 24 the statute that specifically talks about how disposal
- 25 reporting works and the first one talks about disposal or

- 1 transformation facility operator shall submit disposal
- 2 tonnage reports by jurisdiction or region of origin which
- 3 are disposed of or transformed at each facility, and then
- 4 subsequently through a series of different entities that
- 5 those reports go through, the County then submits the
- 6 amounts of solid waste disposed of or transformed by
- 7 jurisdiction or region of origin to the Board in their
- 8 disposal reporting reports. I'm having a little bit of
- 9 trouble reading that. My contacts are getting dry.
- 10 The reason I'm showing you these quotes is to
- 11 talk about now exactly why the Board's interpretation,
- 12 long-standing interpretation, has been that waste that
- 13 goes to a transformation facility is all attributed to
- 14 the jurisdiction that delivers it and then the ash that
- 15 comes out of that facility is attributed to the host
- 16 jurisdiction of the transformation facility.
- 17 The combination of the definitions of
- 18 transformation and disposal which limits the amount that
- 19 the transformation can count as diversion and then the
- 20 statutes that talk about how waste is attributed to where
- 21 it is originated and generation within the jurisdiction
- 22 and reported from region of origin are the statutes that
- 23 we have interpreted over the years to say that
- 24 deliverers, all the waste that's delivered to
- 25 transformation is attributed to the jurisdiction that

- 1 sends that material, and then the ash is newly generated
- 2 at the transformation facility and then is attributed
- 3 depending on where it goes to the host jurisdiction for
- 4 the transformation.
- 5 MR. SITTS: Again, this is just a quick diagram
- 6 that puts the schematic out. Again we've got the host
- 7 jurisdiction with the transformation facility in it, ash
- 8 generated at that facility is the highlighted yellow line
- 9 going to landfill, and that ash is assigned to the host
- 10 jurisdiction because that's -- it's generated within the
- 11 boundaries of the host and it's not assigned to the
- 12 jurisdictions that delivered the waste, the non-host
- 13 jurisdictions, because it's not generated within their
- 14 boundaries.
- 15 MR. BLOCK: This is just a statute for the
- 16 purposes of adding a little bit of context and
- 17 explanation. This is the statute that provides that if
- 18 that ash is diverted for some use, for recycling use
- 19 within a landfill, which is what typically it's being
- 20 diverted to right now for road base at landfills, that
- 21 it's allowed to be counted as diversion even though it's
- 22 still going to the landfill.
- 23 MR. SITTS: This next one is the diagramatic
- 24 representation again, and here we've got host
- 25 jurisdictions that are transforming the waste, that

- 1 you're sending the ash to a landfill, but instead of
- 2 disposing of it, it's being beneficially used. And in
- 3 this case, the host jurisdiction gets the credit for the
- 4 ash because again it was generated within its boundaries.
- 5 This example applies to both Commerce and Long
- 6 Beach. The ash from those two facilities is mixed with
- 7 cement and used at the Puente Hills landfill as road fill
- 8 base or road base.
- 9 MR. BLOCK: You can skip the next slide. We're
- 10 not going to use it for this.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I want to interject and
- 12 I'm not quarreling with the statute because that's not my
- 13 job to do, but just to throw it out, it does strike me as
- 14 strange that something maybe that the legislature missed
- 15 or that we missed in our earlier regulations and that is
- 16 if a jurisdiction sends ash to a landfill and it's used
- 17 for road base, they get diversion credit; but if a
- 18 jurisdiction sends trash, the same molecules, sends trash
- 19 to an incinerator, a transformation facility, and they
- 20 generate electricity, they don't get any credit and in
- 21 effect counts against them.
- 22 Now, if they send trash to an incinerator --
- 23 MR. BLOCK: They do get to count the 10 percent.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: They get a fraction, but
- 25 the -- which strikes me, and I know it's not in the

- 1 statute. You've explained that one to me, Elliott, but I
- 2 want to throw this out because I don't understand it --
- 3 which strikes me as terribly odd that the generation of
- 4 electricity from trash gets lower credit in our
- 5 hierarchy, the combination of both hierarchy and the
- 6 rules, than sending the stuff to the landfill, which is
- 7 what the whole diversion thing is all about, and using it
- 8 for road base, which is sticking it in the landfill and
- 9 where you get full credit.
- 10 So I'm just throwing that out probably for my
- 11 colleagues' benefits so they can know where my mind is on
- 12 this. It just strikes me as cockeyed, but I know it's
- 13 the statute. I know it's the statute, but I would hope
- 14 at least as far as that that portion of the hierarchy
- 15 somehow it change because it just makes no sense to me.
- 16 MR. BLOCK: If I may, what you've raised is a
- 17 point that's been talked about for many, many years and
- 18 we're going to get to it in a couple more slides. The
- 19 legislature at a later point in time recognized -- if you
- 20 want to use the word anomaly or whatever for that -- and
- 21 there is one more option in statute that specifically
- 22 addresses the jurisdiction that might have -- might be
- 23 most adversely affected by the operation of the law the
- 24 way it's written.
- 25 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think the Senator -- I
- 3 don't quarrel with -- with what the Senator says at all,
- 4 but I remember at the time that this law was being
- 5 written and I think --
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I may have voted for it.
- 7 (Laughter)
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think you were there.
- 9 The environmental community was very clear, I think, at
- 10 the time that they didn't -- because the landscape looked
- 11 like our landfills were going to be replaced by
- 12 waste-to-energy facilities, and as Mr. Medina knows, my
- 13 company was looking at one in the Bay area to take care
- 14 of San Francisco and that area, that people were afraid
- 15 that we were going to have these facilities all over the
- 16 state.
- 17 When the arguments were made that this should
- 18 count as recycling, the environmental groups, and I think
- 19 parts of the industry, worried about that and the
- 20 legislature in its wisdom chose to say 10 percent. We're
- 21 not going to let you just burn everything because they
- 22 didn't feel that that would make sense, plus you're not
- 23 going to be able to put a waste-to-energy facility
- 24 everywhere in the state. And I think they tried to make
- 25 that, but I think that that was the dynamic at the time.

1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: You're absolutely right. 2 I'm not quarreling with that so much, but what's happened 3 over the years is subsequently we in our regulations and 4 the legislature by statute have given credit for things 5 like alternative daily cover or road base. That has 6 slipped by the legislature or maybe slipped by the 7 environmental groups, or maybe they knew it and were 8 opposed and were unsuccessful, and yet waste-to-energy, 9 which I'm not touting, but I think has more benefit than 10 ash as road base at a landfill, is lower in reality on 11 the hierarchy than sending the stuff to the landfill and 12 going through this fiction that is not in the landfill. 13 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The fiction -- I mean 14 I've -- if you've ever had to buy a mountain, a mountain, 15 to scrape dirt off to cover garbage, that's expensive. 16 And I think there's environmental impacts associated with 17 that because when we bought them we had to do EIRs, and 18 to take a material that may not have the same kind of 19 value, I think that when you look at this slide and you 20 say these facilities send it, it's reused by mixing it 21 with concrete, it has a value, you could supplant that by 22 going to a rock quarry and buying an inch and a half 23 minus and do that every time you lift the landfill, every 24 time you do a lift go out and buy another 500 truckloads 25 of that stuff. Or you can use the ash, mix it with

- 1 concrete, to get the same exact cover. There's value in
- 2 that because it keeps the rate down to the ratepayer, it
- 3 keeps your operating expenses down, and then you kind of
- 4 leave the aggregate for building things like buildings
- 5 and roadways and stuff like that.
- 6 But there's a real balance that, you know, needs
- 7 to be looked at in the full spectrum and I appreciate --
- 8 I absolutely agree that diverting -- that getting energy
- 9 from a waste product makes sense to me, just like methane
- 10 gas generated in a landfill should be top priority for
- 11 this state, to get it out rather than flare it and put an
- 12 energy plant in and supply energy. That's just -- to me
- 13 is a no-brainer. But if that ash that's being diverted
- 14 was not being diverted and was going into the landfill
- 15 because they couldn't use it or wouldn't use it or didn't
- 16 want to use it or decided not to use it, then that ash
- 17 would count as disposal.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I understand. I have a
- 19 hunch though -- and what you say is an important
- 20 argument. We don't want to be leveling all our hills.
- 21 But I have a hunch that if we have an independent survey,
- 22 and I hope that staff may do this at some point, of
- 23 alternative daily cover and the use of ash in road base
- 24 and things of that nature where the material goes to the
- 25 landfill, if we have an independent study our staff

- 1 conducts, I have a hunch that excessive amounts are used
- 2 only to help the numbers along. Maybe I'm wrong.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think at some locations
- 4 you're right. You don't get an argument from me on that.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Maybe I'm wrong.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's a management issue.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Therefore -- absolutely.
- 8 I'm not quarreling with your point. It's a good one.
- 9 I'm not quarreling with the point you come up, which I
- 10 think is important. It's very important that we get that
- 11 out and that is the alternative to alternative daily
- 12 cover as road base is possibly leveling our hills, but I
- 13 think the management of a lot of landfills have --
- 14 because numbers are more important than programs
- 15 sometimes -- and I understand jurisdictions acting that
- 16 way. It makes no sense, but I understand why they act
- 17 that way -- they use that as an excuse that we're sending
- 18 an awful lot to the landfills and giving people credit
- 19 for numbers and it's authorized by statute whereas
- 20 conversely waste-to-energy, which I'm not touting -- I
- 21 wouldn't want a plant next to my house but
- 22 waste-to-energy, which has some social utility, gets no
- 23 credit at all, but you know, the road base and the
- 24 landfill and the -- that's so big that I mean that is
- 25 an -- that is -- that -- I didn't realize it before I

- 1 became a Member •of the Board, but that's an important
- 2 part of every jurisdiction's computation.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Absolutely.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I don't think the public,
- 5 I don't think the environmental groups understand that,
- 6 and that is that all this trash that's going to landfills
- 7 under the guise of alternative daily cover is helping
- 8 numbers along.
- 9 I don't want to change that, but I'm saying we
- 10 come up with cockeyed computations where some remote
- 11 social utility is punished and this other stuff we allow
- 12 to go through, and I think you see it in the Long Beach
- 13 Lakewood situation. And I'm not quarreling with Long
- 14 Beach. If I were running Long Beach, I would do the same
- 15 thing, but Long Beach's social utility for all the road
- 16 base I question and they're getting credit for it,
- 17 whereas Lakewood is getting the 10 percent for something
- 18 which appears to be a little bit more beneficial, but
- 19 whatever.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Block.
- 21 MR. SITTS: Okay. The next slide here is for
- 22 the purposes of discussion to see what would be the
- 23 impact of if ash were attributed or ash diversion credit
- 24 were attributed out to those jurisdictions that send the
- 25 waste to the facility as opposed to the host

- 1 jurisdictions.
- 2 As you can see, the big blue is jurisdictions
- 3 that don't transform so, of course, they're not affected.
- 4 The red would be those jurisdictions that send such small
- 5 amounts that they wouldn't even get one diversion credit
- 6 for it.
- 7 There are about nine jurisdictions that would
- 8 get less than 3 percent for ash diversion credit, so it's
- 9 not a magical number for those nine jurisdictions. There
- 10 are five jurisdictions that would get an increase of more
- 11 than 3 percent in their -- through ash diversion credit
- 12 and then, of course, the two hosts already have the ash
- 13 diversion. So attributing it out to them would do
- 14 nothing, but attributing the ash to the delivering
- 15 jurisdictions could do nothing but lower their diversion
- 16 rates.
- 17 The next is again discussing these options
- 18 about -- or these different suggestions about how ash
- 19 diversion credit could be accomplished, and the way it is
- 20 now, it's the first row which is it's assigned only to
- 21 the host. The second row is the ash credit is assigned
- 22 to the host and the deliverers, and then the third row is
- 23 that it's assigned to nobody.
- 24 As you can see for the second and third options,
- 25 both of those would require statutory change, Board

- 1 actions and also Source Reduction and Recycling Element
- 2 revisions or base year revisions on the part of local
- 3 governments. In the second column over, or third column,
- 4 the double counting of the same diversion, that would be
- 5 an issue if you have a hundred tons of ash created and
- 6 used as road base and it's assigned to the host and you
- 7 take that hundred tons and break it out and assign to the
- 8 delivering jurisdictions as well, you would have a total
- 9 of 200 tons of ash diversion being used, so that would be
- 10 double counting.
- 11 The next column is do any of these alter the 10
- 12 percent credit limit directly, the transformation credit
- 13 that we talked about, and the answer on that is no. The
- 14 last column is but do deliverers get more than 10 percent
- 15 indirectly by sending waste to transformation. In this
- 16 case, if you assign it both to the host and the
- 17 deliverer, the answer is yes. Some jurisdictions would
- 18 get much more than 10 percent by sending waste to
- 19 transformation and then it was subsequently diverted into
- 20 ash.
- 21 MR. BLOCK: So this last slide, which I promise
- 22 is the last excerpt from statute that I'm going to show
- 23 you today, lists excepts from statutes, lists a couple of
- 24 options that are provided in statute for dealing with --
- 25 for jurisdictions that may be negatively impacted because

- 1 there are limits on what they can count, how they can
- 2 count transformation.
- 3 The first statutory except is from -- is the
- 4 primary one, the one that I was referring to earlier.
- 5 It's specifically designed to address this particular
- 6 situation, Public Resources Code Section 41786, and it's
- 7 the statute that allows a jurisdiction that sends --
- 8 there are various requirements that I won't go through
- 9 now unless you have questions, but which allows a
- 10 jurisdiction who sends a certain amount of waste to
- 11 transformation to petition the Board to reduce their
- 12 diversion requirements based on the amount of waste they
- 13 send to transformation facilities, if that's somehow
- 14 adversely affecting their ability to meet 25 and 50
- 15 percent.
- 16 The second quotation is actually just from the
- 17 Board's biennial review statute. The Board theoretically
- 18 has the ability of doing a biennial review of a
- 19 jurisdiction that's somehow adversely affected by limits
- 20 on counting waste that they send to transformation. The
- 21 Board could, in spite of that, find -- that in spite of
- 22 the numbers being below 25, 50 percent; otherwise, fine,
- 23 they've made good faith efforts to meet 25 and 50 percent
- 24 and you find that they're in compliance.
- 25 And the last two quotations are for some

- 1 relatively new statutes that we're going to be talking
- 2 about a little bit later. They allow for time extensions
- 3 and alternative diversion requirements, although those
- 4 are specifically for meeting the year 2000 requirement,
- 5 the 50 percent requirement and not the 25 percent
- 6 requirement that jurisdictions can avail themselves
- 7 of.
- 8 That actually concludes our presentation for
- 9 today. I don't know if you have any questions. I am
- 10 assuming there are some speakers in the audience that
- 11 want to speak as well.
- 12 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Paparian.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Could you put the slide
- 14 back up, couple slides back entitled ash diversion,
- 15 deliver, City A, City B. It's on page 11 of my
- 16 presentation.
- 17 MR. SITTS: The one showing the ash being used
- 18 as road base. Yes.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Bear with me for just a
- 20 second, but if this was not solid waste but recyclable
- 21 material, if had you say -- say it was paper coming out
- 22 of City B to a paper recycling facility, the City B would
- 23 get credit for that stuff not going to a landfill for
- 24 being recycled; right?
- 25 MR. BLOCK: The city that's delivering the

- 1 paper.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Okay.
- 3 MR. BLOCK: They would -- essentially it would
- 4 count as disposal reduction because they're not sending
- 5 it to disposal or transformation.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Right. Then the
- 7 recycling facility recycles the stuff and has some waste
- 8 product. That waste product counts against the City A;
- 9 right?
- 10 MR. BLOCK: Yes and no. It would have counted
- 11 against City A. However, the legislature a couple years
- 12 ago passed a statute to allow that to be adjusted out for
- 13 purposes of fairness. For regional recycling facilities,
- 14 diversion facilities, there is a statute that would allow
- 15 that residual amount to come out. But in the first
- 16 instance, yes, it would count towards the host
- 17 jurisdiction, if you will, of the recycling facility.
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: More complicated than I
- 19 thought. I'll talk to you on the side then.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Can I ask a follow-up on
- 21 that?
- 22 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones and Senator Roberti.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: If I send a source
- 24 separated load to a MRF and the MRF is not in my city, I
- 25 would get diversion credit basically for that material

- 1 because it wouldn't go to disposal.
- 2 MR. BLOCK: That's correct.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: If there was residual, 25
- 4 percent residual garbage in the load I delivered, they
- 5 would assign that back to me as residual that they had to
- 6 take to the dump.
- 7 MR. BLOCK: That's correct.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I think that's what
- 9 Mr. Paparian was asking. So I understand what you're
- 10 talking about is the regional concept, nine facilities
- 11 come in, 100 tons of a residual waste, you do a
- 12 mathematical equation by delivery as to who gets that,
- 13 but it goes back as disposal assigned to that
- 14 jurisdiction.
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Roberti.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I want to go to your last
- 17 statutes.
- 18 MR. BLOCK: The options? Just the last slide.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The last slide, right.
- 20 The Board may reduce the diversion requirements to any
- 21 city which disposed of 75 percent or more of its solid
- 22 waste by transformation, and then that shall be if it was
- 23 pursuant to a good faith effort, if we find there was a
- 24 good faith effort.
- 25 MR. BLOCK: There are about three or four

- 1 different requirements. We actually have an overhead for
- 2 that if you would like.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: This was the abbreviated
- 4 version.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I guess no.
- 6 (Laughter)
- 7 CHAIRMAN EATON: Unless it helps your case.
- 8 (Laughter)
- 9 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Unless it helps my case.
- 10 Well, pursuant to my conversation with you a couple days
- 11 ago, Elliott, you told me that that statute,
- 12 interestingly enough, was carried by Assemblyman
- 13 Eppel.
- 14 MR. BLOCK: The last time it was revised, AB
- 15 260, yes.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: And who I believe
- 17 represented Lakewood.
- 18 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Cecil Green, yes, and I
- 19 assume he may have been a co-author on that matter.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: My point is that's not
- 21 there for no reason at all. That's there by the great
- 22 wisdom of the legislature to put in something that meant
- 23 something, and from what you told me, specifics which
- 24 would have allowed the city to count the transformation
- 25 as diversion or eliminate it from the statute.

- 1 So it appears that the solution that the authors
- 2 and the legislature dealt upon was to allow the Board to
- 3 come up with this good faith effort plus kind of solution
- 4 which would allow a reduction of the diversion
- 5 requirements.
- 6 I'm just throwing out as we wind our way this
- 7 year that that has to mean something and it has to be --
- 8 and it has to be intended for the legislature for this
- 9 Board to attempt to implement, and it seems to have been
- 10 the compromise to work out this Lakewood, Long Beach,
- 11 Commerce, Stanislaus problem that occurs but especially
- 12 acute in the first two cities I mentioned. So I think we
- 13 have a duty to factor that in as we make diversion -- as
- 14 we make decisions as to whether a city has met its
- 15 diversion requirements.
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: And I think that's right,
- 17 Senator. As a matter of fact, as you all know, some of
- 18 the relationship with Assemblyman Cecil Green, and that
- 19 was -- that was the trade-off with the city was willing
- 20 to give up what they're now asking for in exchange for
- 21 that particular matter. As a matter of fact, I may be
- 22 mistaken, but City of Lakewood got a reduction when they
- 23 came in in 1995.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Right.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: So they're back here today

- 1 asking for what they originally gave up.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: Yes. Mr. Jones.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Elliott wants to say
- 5 something.
- 6 MR. BLOCK: You had asked a question on what
- 7 they got. They did originally ask -- I forget. I think
- 8 it was probably '94 or '95 for reductions to both. I
- 9 apologize. I did these overheads, not the folks that
- 10 know how to do these a little bit better. If you do the
- 11 upper lights -- beg your indulgence for the way it looks.
- 12 They asked for I believe petition for reductions
- 13 to 20 percent for '95 and 40 percent for 2000. The Board
- 14 granted them a reduction of 21 percent because at the
- 15 time their disposal report number showed them at 21
- 16 percent. Now, we've had testimony on various meetings
- 17 over the last, gosh, probably stretches back now to six
- 18 months some of the earlier discussions with Lakewood.
- 19 Their number may be actually lower than the 21 percent.
- 20 That's one area we can potentially explore in terms of
- 21 this petition process.
- 22 At that time the Board didn't grant the 2000
- 23 reduction. I'm not remembering -- it does say '95. It
- 24 was '95. Back prior to '95 and up through '95, the Board
- 25 was generally not granting the 2000 reductions for any

- 1 types of petitions, even for rural petitions because they
- 2 wanted -- it felt like it was too far in advance and they
- 3 indicated a number of things in their resolution that
- 4 they wanted to see the city work on, which I certainly
- 5 can't read from here based on the way this is looking,
- 6 but there were a number of requirements, one of which had
- 7 to do with taking a look at the numbers and seeing if
- 8 anything needed to be revised and that sort of thing.
- 9 Just what you asked what we had granted them.
- 10 Currently they have a reduction of 21 percent
- 11 for '95 and for 2000 they're still at 50 percent.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, I'm just throwing
- 13 this for thinking out loud right now. What is to prevent
- 14 the Board from granting something similar for the 2000
- 15 diversion, the 40, diversion requirements, that it did in
- 16 1995?
- 17 MR. BLOCK: Well, there's nothing -- that's
- 18 certainly within the Board's discretion to look at 2000
- 19 and revisit the '95 number since that's still at issue.
- 20 Of course, Lakewood is still currently on a compliance
- 21 order. You probably have some logistic issues to work
- 22 out in terms of the way the petition works out and what
- 23 kinds of material you want. I'm assuming this one would
- 24 probably have most of the documentation already that
- 25 Lakewood might be providing us.

- 1 Lorraine, if you could show the other slide, it
- 2 might show up a little bit better.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: In fact, Senator, that's one of
- 4 the benefits and that's why we have been pushing it
- 5 properly within the confines of 1066 because 1066 offers
- 6 alternative A, which is your extension, and then option B
- 7 is which allows for an alternative diversion reduction.
- 8 So I don't know if that's where you were going to, but --
- 9 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Well, I'm trying to
- 10 figure this out in my own mind.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EATON: That is a potential --
- 12 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: My own sense of equity is
- 13 that they should get some credit for the trash, more than
- 14 the 10 percent, but I think the statutes seem to preclude
- 15 that unless the lawyers for Lakewood have an
- 16 interpretation that sheds some contrary light on this,
- 17 but I do tend to think that the -- what you're saying,
- 18 and that is the diversion reduction or the extension, I
- 19 guess, or the alternatives that were allowed, and I just
- 20 would hope that the Board doesn't toss those out of hand
- 21 because they are in statute and --
- 22 CHAIRMAN EATON: Actually, I think that's the
- 23 great thing because it gives us an opportunity -- and
- 24 I'll let Mr. Jones speak for himself on this -- but one
- 25 of the issues that have been sort of an ancillary

- 1 position contention among the Board long before any of us
- 2 got here, even before Steve got here, has been the idea
- 3 of programs. That whole process allows a whole review
- 4 and evaluation from a qualitative standpoint and what
- 5 you have that allows us to do exactly what the statute, I
- 6 believe, anticipated. And I don't believe that 1066 had
- 7 that statute in mind, but it does provide that.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN, I think one
- 9 thing, too, that we've got to put into the historical
- 10 record. I think there has been -- and Yvonne's out there
- 11 and the folks from Lakewood could answer. I think
- 12 there's been two legislative attempts in the last ten
- 13 years to get diversion credit for the existing
- 14 facilities.
- 15 MS. HUNTER: Raise the 10 percent, at least two.
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: At least two. There may
- 17 have been three.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: As an operator and an
- 19 investor, I opposed the last one vehemently because they
- 20 wanted to get diversion credit -- I think it was a
- 21 hundred percent. I forget what the number was but it was
- 22 like whatever got burned was counted as diversion -- and
- 23 we opposed it because we were afraid that the one
- 24 facility would use it as a marketing plan to go into
- 25 jurisdictions that were close enough to have them abandon

- 1 existing investment in programs, and low and behold those
- 2 attempts failed.
- 3 And then at some point I ended up on this Board
- 4 and I ended up sitting in a meeting where some folks came
- 5 to me and said how important it was to get the recycling
- 6 credit because then people wouldn't have to take material
- 7 to MRFs or do any of these other programs. And I looked
- 8 at them and said, "You have a very short memory because
- 9 you don't recognize me as one of the people that opposed
- 10 your bill for exactly this reason." They came in -- or
- 11 didn't come in.
- 12 They could have gone in and said to City A who
- 13 has a curbside program, who has a materials recovery
- 14 facility, who has a green waste collection program and a
- 15 composting program, and say why do it? Take it to my
- 16 facility. I'm going to burn it for \$28 a ton and you get
- 17 a hundred percent diversion credit.
- 18 I don't think that goes to the heart of what
- 19 this law is about. Arid I've told people before I'm not
- 20 here for my brains, I'm here for my instincts. I knew
- 21 that was going to happen, and when they gave me the pitch
- 22 I said I knew it. I knew it. That has always bothered
- 23 me because I have no problem with diversion reductions,
- 24 but the other part of that is the good faith effort, and
- 25 good faith effort in my mind is real programs.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Any other questions before we
- 2 get to our public commentary portion? Okay.
- 3 Mr. Stover.
- 4 MR. STOVER: Thank you, Mr. CHAIRMAN and
- 5 Members.
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: You come to one of our outlying
- 7 areas in San Luis Obispo, here in Visalia, so it's closer
- 8 for you.
- 9 MR. STOVER: We appreciate your invitation,
- 10 Mr. CHAIRMAN and Members of the Board, for having us here
- 11 today.
- 12 We recognize the lunch hour is near. I would
- 13 like an opportunity to expand my remarks apart from what
- 14 I say today by submitting a letter to the Board
- 15 subsequent to this meeting that would kind of cut down on
- 16 my presentation, if that's acceptable to you.
- 17 Let me thank the staff and thank the Board for
- 18 the interest in trying to work this through. This is an
- 19 issue that has a lot of complexity. For the benefit of
- 20 the new Board Members because the old Board Members have
- 21 heard this before and might wonder why I'm saying this.
- 22 For the benefit of the two new Board Members, let me
- 23 outline a couple of facts and bring up a few issues and
- 24 then some follow-up. I think I can do it in five
- 25 minutes, so I'll talk fast.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Not too fast. I saw the court
- 2 reporter's eyes bug out.
- 3 MR. STOVER: For the past 12 years, the City of
- 4 Lakewood has sent 80 percent and more of its refuse to
- 5 the SERRF facility in Long Beach in Los Angeles County.
- 6 Apart from the host jurisdictions in the state, no city
- 7 sends as much solid waste that is recycled from
- 8 landfilling as the City of Lakewood. We are the one that
- 9 sticks out from the chart.
- 10 We are strong believers in the utility of the
- 11 SERRF facility. It's been implemented in an
- 12 environmentally sound basis, and it results in a
- 13 transformation residue that avoid landfilling.
- 14 Consequently, none or virtually none of our SERRF input
- 15 ends up as fill in a landfill. State law did recognize
- 16 us in AB 260 by Assemblyman Eppel, and at that time it
- 17 was seen as a method to try to resolve our uniqueness.
- 18 And we had discussions with the Waste Board
- 19 staff and we had discussions with Senator Sher's staff to
- 20 craft a bill that would allow us to come in on a
- 21 goal-reduction basis because at the time it was felt
- 22 maybe ash recycling was going to be too complex to do,
- 23 and it was reflected -- legislative history reflected the
- 24 fact that we went into a 20-year contract prior to AB 939
- 25 at the request of the state, at the request of the County

- 1 Sanitation Districts that run the landfill system that we
- 2 use, at the request of the host jurisdiction.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. Stover, how was it at
- 4 the request of the state?
- 5 MR. STOVER: As a matter of general policy and
- 6 correspondence that waste-to-energy was encouraged and
- 7 that jurisdictions were asked to submit letters of
- 8 interest and commitment. Same thing, State Energy
- 9 Commission, County Sanitation District, City of Long
- 10 Beach needed our trash to complete a third boiler on the
- 11 system. City of Long Beach manages that facility
- 12 extremely well.
- 13 We have worked with Board Members and Board
- 14 staff since 1992 in trying to thread the needle, to
- 15 recognize good faith, and to be in the policy direction
- 16 that the Board and state law wanted.
- 17 On April 3 of this year we implemented a pilot
- 18 program in sending a major portion of our refuse stream
- 19 to a MRF facility and we're getting good results from
- 20 that facility. Ironically where none of our refuse was
- 21 reaching the landfill before, now 65 percent of our -- of
- 22 our throughput to the MRF, a very good MRF, will reach
- 23 the landfill. Our programs can be characterized now as
- 24 source, SERRF, turf and MRF.
- 25 Now, we appreciate that no action is proposed

- 1 for today's agenda item but really to educate us and to
- 2 educate you and educate staff and the audience. There
- 3 are some issues we want to have explored.
- 4 One is we believe that transformation ash is not
- 5 newly generated waste since it's simply the byproduct of
- 6 the transformation process. That was recognized by you
- 7 in your Stanislaus special circumstances. It is
- 8 described in the Board report as a special case host
- 9 jurisdiction.
- 10 Two, we believe the transformation ash belongs
- 11 to the deliverer jurisdiction because it's not new waste.
- 12 We believe as a matter of law that solid waste that
- 13 produced the ash becomes subject to regulation when the
- 14 deliverer jurisdiction collects it for delivery to a host
- 15 jurisdiction. Lawyers will disagree, we believe, on
- 16 that.
- 17 Three, we believe that the math in calculating
- 18 transformation ash diversion credit is flawed. We think
- 19 there's a need for a common-sense approach in the
- 20 calculation of transformation ash diversion and this is
- 21 in the current bill, AB 2004, that's pending in the
- 22 Assembly Appropriations Committee, but if you take 100
- 23 units of municipal solid waste delivered to a
- 24 transformation facility and 70 units of solid waste is
- 25 transformed into energy via incineration, and if 30 units

- 1 of transformation ash is beneficially reused, that the
- 2 math should be 30 percent diversion. That is not the way
- 3 it is currently.
- 4 Four, we submit that past Board action and ash
- 5 diversion credit is not as linear or as long-standing in
- 6 precedent as was reported today. We take a different
- 7 view of the history of events, but we also believe the
- 8 staff had good intentions in its presentation. We just
- 9 have a different view on the historical circumstances.
- 10 For example, the Stanislaus transformation facility
- 11 decision cited in the staff report should not be given a
- 12 de facto force of regulation as precedent setting. We
- 13 believe Stanislaus stands for -- is an amendment to a
- 14 base year in a single SRRE.
- 15 Five, we believe that the Board should recognize
- 16 there may be a special case transformation deliverer,
- 17 special case transformation deliverer jurisdiction,
- 18 similar to what the Board has recognized as a special
- 19 case host jurisdiction in the case of Stanislaus. We
- 20 believe that we continue to meet the requirements to be
- 21 eliqible for AB 260 as set forth in the Public Resources
- 22 Code.
- 23 Lastly, one minute wrap-up. One minute. We
- 24 submit there are three questions to be further explored
- 25 based upon today's discussion in the staff briefing.

- 1 One, can the diversion verification process for
- 2 deliverer jurisdictions seeking recycling credit be
- 3 simplified to remove the obstacles outlined in the staff
- 4 report that prevent the Board consideration alternative
- 5 to, and that is a sharing with a deliverer jurisdiction.
- 6 We believe the answer is yes.
- 7 Two, is there a special case or special cases
- 8 deliverer jurisdictions that should receive ash diversion
- 9 credit either conditionally -- or either unconditionally
- 10 or conditionally. We are implementing additional
- 11 programs now. To the dozen existing programs we have
- 12 added a MRF program. We can see that might very well be
- 13 a permanent feature of our landscape, but to meet 50
- 14 percent might require us to completely redirect a hundred
- 15 percent of our waste, our municipal solid waste, from the
- 16 SERRF facility now to a MRF facility. So we would end up
- 17 with not SERRF and MRF, we would end up with MRF and dirt
- 18 instead, and we don't think that is in the strongest
- 19 interests of integrated waste public policy.
- 20 We are interested in working with the Board and
- 21 with the Board staff. We have engaged that process.
- 22 We're working sincerely with your staff now. We think
- 23 the extension period you granted to us yesterday will
- 24 give us time to work that through. We are hearing what
- 25 the Board is saying about programs. We are listening to

- 1 alternatives that are being presented, but we think this
- 2 issue has a lot of complexity. And we hope today is --
- 3 particularly for the new Members may be mind boggling on
- 4 this issue. To the old Members, when are we ever going
- 5 to get through it. I think we're close for this special
- 6 case deliverer jurisdiction.
- 7 Thank you very much for your attention.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 9 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Roberti.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Along the lines of what
- 11 Mr. Stover was saying, one of the arguments that has
- 12 always been raised is that the host jurisdiction will be
- 13 stuck with counting the ash that is disposed in the
- 14 landfill if they can't -- if they can't divert it or use
- 15 it for road base or whatever. However, Mr. Stover has
- 16 now informed me of something that I did not know, and
- 17 that is that the Board, before I think most of us were on
- 18 the Board, made an exception for Stanislaus County in
- 19 effect saying that if they can't divert the ash, it's not
- 20 going to be counted against them.
- 21 MR. STOVER: It doesn't exist.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It doesn't exist. Now,
- 23 that doesn't strike me as terribly fair. And I agree
- 24 with Mr. Stover for the delivering jurisdiction because
- 25 if the Board is -- there's only -- we're only talking

- 1 about three host jurisdictions. If one of the host
- 2 jurisdictions gets in trouble with their incinerator and
- 3 they don't know what to do with the ash, we're going to
- 4 pass an exception for them. So the argument they would
- 5 be stuck with it counting against them doesn't seem to
- 6 apply. I hope in our deliberations as the year proceeds
- 7 we take that into consideration. I didn't know this
- 8 until Mr. Stover's testimony.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 11 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I don't know the
- 12 particulars of the Stanislaus facility other than it goes
- 13 to a Class 11 site. Their site is Class 11 because the
- 14 constituents in that ash may be designated. If they have
- 15 high metals, they cannot be -- they don't count anyway.
- 16 It would be like any type of waste that has been given an
- 17 exception.
- 18 So I think we're mixing -- I don't know if
- 19 you're right or wrong. I do know that had high levels
- 20 and couldn't be dealt with.
- 21 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: The reason that my staff
- 22 has told me was because of the toxics, it would be out of
- 23 our -
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It would be out of our
- 25 jurisdiction. Exactly.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It would be high toxics.
- 2 Evidently the way you compute toxics is another difficult
- 3 computation that I don't want to be here until midnight.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: -- designated waste which
- 5 doesn't get counted in AB 939.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Somehow we had to pass a
- 7 special -- we had -- we felt compelled, and this is all I
- 8 know right now, to pass a special regulation so it
- 9 wouldn't be counted. It wasn't automatically. It
- 10 doesn't appear it was automatically counted. I don't
- 11 know. That's the first I've heard.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just like what we're
- 13 dealing with on the designated waste that some people
- 14 call Class 11 waste, even though there is no definition,
- 15 if that material goes to a Class III site that is
- 16 designated, then under AB 939 originally written it would
- 17 not count. That's where the administrative issues are
- 18 where somebody says you have to take this to forward. It
- 19 doesn't count as generation or as diversion, but I want
- 20 to go back to Mr. Stover's comment about -- two comments.
- 21 In Stanislaus if you don't want to double count
- 22 it and you want to make it a moot issue, basically,
- 23 because the waste has already been counted once, it would
- 24 seem to me you can't have it both ways. It's either got
- 25 to be it doesn't exist, which means all these people

- 1 don't get diversion credit for it, or it does exist. You
- 2 can't say it's moot. You can't just say the ash -- the
- 3 ash should count in these cases and not count in these.
- 4 MR. STOVER: What has been presented to us was
- 5 if the host jurisdiction does not recycle the ash, it
- 6 isn't counted. And to us that seems to be the Board in
- 7 its wisdom seeing there are special cases that need to be
- 8 addressed. We don't want to be the skunk in the party
- 9 for every other jurisdiction using a transformation
- 10 facility, but we don't want to just abandon the SERRF
- 11 facility to place two-thirds of our refuse in the dirt
- 12 where it could be beneficially reused now.
- 13 So I don't want to rain on anyone else. I raise
- 14 issues in the general context of today's discussion, in
- 15 the context of working through the Lakewood issue. We're
- 16 more laser-focused and we have looked at, as CHAIRMAN
- 17 Eaton pointed out, a number of approaches over time
- 18 because we revised that do it this way, don't do it this
- 19 way.
- 20 We would rather meet 50 percent diversion as a
- 21 goal than have our diversion goal reduced. We would
- 22 somehow think that seems like we didn't do enough, but if
- 23 a solution is apparent in which we are -- we add some
- 24 programs permanently and have our goal reduced and that
- 25 is consistent with this Board's policy and my city

- 1 council's interests, then we won't have a problem there.
- 2 So I'm not trying to create a civil war on this
- 3 or trying to take over the proper function of this Board
- 4 or your staff in trying to look through the other hundred
- 5 jurisdictions. I'm saying that there are issues that add
- 6 to the complexity of this.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Rapp.
- 8 MS. RAPP: I don't have anything to add beyond
- 9 what Mr. Stover said.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Young.
- 11 MR. YOUNG: I incorporate Ms. Rapp's comments.
- 12 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Emerson.
- 13 MR. EMERSON: Actually, I would like to withdraw
- 14 my comments.
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: I think Mr. Tripp said only if
- 16 there's questions. Okay. That's all we have. Thank you
- 17 for a very vibrant discussion.
- 18 Mr. Block, any final comments?
- 19 MR. BLOCK: No final comments.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: I remind everyone that we only
- 21 have 20 minutes worth of tape left, so if we're going to
- 22 have a discussion, we're going to take a break.
- 23 Mr. Mohajer, do you want to speak now before
- 24 Mr. Block?
- 25 MR. MOHAJER: Mr. Chair and Members of the

- 1 Board, my name is Mike Mohajer. On this item I'm not
- 2 representing the County of Los Angeles nor the L.A.
- 3 County Department of Public Works. I'm speaking on
- 4 behalf of the Los Angeles County Integrated Waste
- 5 Management Task Force.
- 6 For the benefit of the new Members, the task
- 7 force that I'm speaking of was formed under the
- 8 requirement of AR 939, and one of the functions of the
- 9 task force is to review and comment on the jurisdictions'
- 10 Source Reduction and Recycling Elements and also
- 11 addressing the resolution of conflict between the
- 12 jurisdictions' SRREs. In this case it would be the City
- 13 of Long Beach and the City of Lakewood.
- 14 The task force has previously submitted comments
- 15 to the Waste Board and their comments of the letter that
- 16 was submitted on February 22nd, the year 2000 stands as
- 17 of speaking today. A few other items that I would like
- 18 to mention, we are not in support of the transformation
- 19 or against the transformation.
- 20 As the existing law reads right now under the
- 21 Section 41783, and the staff report also refers to that,
- 22 the materials that go to the transformation facility, the
- 23 recyclable materials are supposed to be removed up front,
- 24 and also we look at the transformation facility as an
- 25 alternative or to replace or to reduce dependence on

- 1 landfill disposal and not as an enemy to a MRF or
- 2 recycling or composting. And that is very important
- 3 issue, especially when you're talking about a big
- 4 metropolitan area as Los Angeles County. And needless to
- 5 say, as Mr. Jones said, some operators do oppose that
- 6 because that becomes business decisions.
- 7 Looking at some of the staff report that was
- 8 mentioned, basically a few questions that were raised, at
- 9 least I have on behalf of the task force. On page 54-3,
- 10 the staff report indicated that waste generated means
- 11 waste created, and I would like to know the specific
- 12 section of the PRC that gives that definitions. On --
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Do you have an alternative
- 14 definition?
- MR. MOHAJER: Do I have an alternative?
- 16 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Definition of what
- 17 generation is.
- MR. MOHAJER: No.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Okay.
- 20 MR. MOHAJER: But created the way it had been
- 21 used it means something different. In case of the
- 22 Stanislaus and the fact that the ash generated will not
- 23 be counted as disposal, it was a methodology that the
- 24 Waste Board has created in double counting the waste that
- 25 was being generated. And very specifically because the

- 1 regulation had required that they made a decision, they
- 2 adopted a policy that says the ash for the purpose of
- 3 Stanislaus does not count as disposal. So that's where
- 4 the whole issue came as to whether or not there was a
- 5 policy in reference to giving a diversion credit to the
- 6 host community. And as the letter of February 22nd says,
- 7 it appears to be a rulemaking decision without a
- 8 rulemaking process.
- 9 One important issue, another issue that I would
- 10 like to mention that was brought up earlier this morning
- 11 in reference to the materials that goes to a materials
- 12 recovery facility and a composting. And looking at the
- 13 analysis that the staff has on page 54-8 and 54-9, it's a
- 14 great concern from the standpoint that now maybe the
- 15 similar issue is going to be raised as we move forward in
- 16 reference to residuals that remain from materials that
- 17 get separated at the material recovery facility and also
- 18 who is going to be getting the diversion credit.
- 19 Also, the other problem is if a solid waste
- 20 disposal facility is located in Jurisdiction A and that
- 21 Jurisdiction A very specifically requires that as a part
- 22 of the facility operator, as a part of also the land use
- 23 permit, that the operator has to do certain diversion
- 24 activities, does that mean that that Jurisdiction A would
- 25 be getting all the diversion credit or would similarly

- 1 what we talked about the ash diversion or is it something
- 2 that is going to be divied up between all jurisdictions?
- 3 That becomes pretty important because at least
- 4 in the case of Los Angeles County, most of the landfills
- 5 are located in the unincorporated area of the county. We
- 6 very specifically require that all landfill operators do
- 7 certain diversion activities from the materials that come
- 8 to the facility and so the issue comes up right now. It
- 9 is in our mind are we going to be handling that the same
- 10 way as the issue of ash that we're discussing.
- 11 And the last issue that is very important in
- 12 reference to getting the 10 percent diversion credit, the
- 13 staff report on page 54-3 lists the number of
- 14 requirements that have to be met before the jurisdiction
- 15 can receive the 10 percent diversion credit, and those
- 16 are very, very important.
- 17 However, one important item is missing. That
- 18 becomes in reference to item -- if you would look at your
- 19 staff report, page 54-5 in item four, it says as a part
- 20 of giving diversion credit the Board finds the
- 21 jurisdiction is effectively implementing all feasible
- 22 SRREs, measures and (inaudible) goes up.
- 23 One important aspect of the requirement of 41783
- 24 that is not mentioned in this staff report is that very
- 25 specifically as a part of that requirement that the

- 1 statute requires the Board holds a public hearing. This
- 2 is the part that is missing. The Board holds a public
- 3 hearing in the city, county or regional agency
- 4 jurisdiction within which the transformation project is
- 5 proposed, and after the public hearing the Board finds
- 6 both of the following, which was the item one -- Item A
- 7 and B listed.
- 8 So in essence what it means is you're going to
- 9 be granting the 10 percent diversion credit to
- 10 jurisdictions for the year 2000. According to this, you
- 11 should conduct a public hearing in every jurisdiction,
- 12 and that is pretty important. It needs to be addressed,
- 13 and if the council feels otherwise, they will discuss it
- 14 at a later date.
- 15 Thank you very much.
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: Thank you. Any questions for
- 17 Mr. Mohajer?
- 18 Mr. Jones.
- 19 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Just a couple. The idea
- 20 that this was an illegal rulemaking really sticks in my
- 21 craw and has since I read it. But I think that, as I
- 22 told you before, and when you -- if you talk to Steve
- 23 McGuinn, who I'm not sure what agency you want to assign
- 24 him to because like now you're not representing the
- 25 County, you're not representing somebody else, but you're

- 1 representing a task force, although the county is staffed
- 2 to the task force; right?
- 3 MR. MOHAJER: That is correct.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. McGuinn obviously is
- 5 with the Sanitation District, but he sat on a committee
- 6 that talked about how people are going to deal with ash.
- 7 He told me that. I don't know what the committee was,
- 8 but it was -- it was asked to be put together by this
- 9 Board back then. Stakeholders had input in it. This was
- 10 an open process that tried to deal with a whole 1t of
- 11 different factions and the results are what is happening
- 12 here.
- 13 So to say that this was an illegal rulemaking
- 14 from such an articulate person -- me, I can make a
- 15 mistake like that because I don't have the vocabulary
- 16 that you guys do, but I understand what that means. And
- 17 number one, I think it is completely inaccurate, and
- 18 number two, it is -- it casts a shadow over this Board
- 19 that doesn't -- that it doesn't deserve until you can
- 20 show me where this illegal rulemaking took place and I --
- 21 I'm telling you. We're trying to work through this thing
- 22 and that ain't a way to work through it, to continually
- 23 insist that decisions that aren't embraced are somehow
- 24 not fairly deliberated with public comment. I think all
- 25 you have to do is go down the street and talk to

- 1 Mr. McGuinn and he can refresh somebody's memory.
- 2 MR. MOHAJER: Mr. Jones, to answer your
- 3 questions, as far as the representing Los Angeles County,
- 4 I work with the Los Angeles County and he alternate
- S decision comes from the Board of Supervisors, and the
- 6 Board of Supervisors has not made any decision on this
- 7 issue. But the County Board of Supervisors also directed
- 8 the Public Works to be staffed to the task force that was
- 9 formed under AB 1939. And fortunately or unfortunately,
- 10 I have to also represent as the staff of that body going
- 11 around and getting the issue responded to.
- 12 Number three, Mr. Steve McGuinn, he works for
- 13 the County Sanitation District of Los Angeles County,
- 14 which is a special district made up several districts, no
- 15 relation to the county government that I represent, even
- 16 though the name says County Sanitation District of Los
- 17 Angeles County. So that is very important issues.
- 18 Number four, I did not say that this Board made
- 19 illegal decisions. What the task force has mentioned is
- 20 that this Board made the decision policy-wise, they
- 21 adopted a policy in the case of Stanislaus, very
- 22 specifically they said the ash that is not diverted in
- 23 that case will not count as disposal.
- 24 The task force that I represent today also
- 25 requested that they are looking to see this body to make

- 1 the same policy decision in the case of diversion.
- 2 That's all I'm saying and that's all the task force has
- 3 said. So it is not an illegal decision at all. I take
- 4 exception to that.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: The waste that we're
- 6 talking about from Stanislaus has been characterized to
- 7 be designated. Designated waste does not count in AB 939
- 8 diversion or generation. It is a simple case of mixing
- 9 apples with oranges. If the waste from the three -- two
- 10 facilities in southern California do not raise to the
- 11 level of designated waste, then they are municipal solid
- 12 waste. There is a difference.
- 13 We've talked about it today and we've talked
- 14 about it before, but that has a bearing on the previous
- 15 Board's treatment of that generated wastestream.
- 16 MR. MOHAJER: But still that is not the issue
- 17 that the task force has raised, that this Board made a
- 18 policy decision in reference to the Stanislaus, no policy
- 19 decision in the reference of diversion. That's all the
- 20 task force has mentioned. And again, I'm representing
- 21 the decision of that body, not the Board of Supervisors.
- 22 CHAIRMAN EATON: Thank you. Mr. Block, wrap it
- 23 up because we've got about four or five minutes of tape
- 24 left.
- 25 MR. BLOCK: I was going to try to do this in 30

- 1 seconds. I want to clarify just really briefly on the
- 2 Stanislaus item. I think, and I don't have it in front
- 3 of me, I think it was in the March item that we did. The
- 4 decision there was based, I think, as much on the fact
- 5 that that waste was -- there was no avenue for recycling
- 6 it as opposed to just the fact that it was designated
- 7 waste, but that's something we can report to you.
- 8 Having said that, I wanted to say our
- 9 presentation was done. This was a discussion item, so
- 10 there's no resolution before you. As has been alluded to
- 11 already a couple of times, we are working with the City
- 12 of Lakewood to try to come up with a solution to bring
- 13 back to the Board for its consideration.
- 14 Unless there's some other direction you wanted
- 15 to give us, I think we're going to continue to do that
- 16 and see if we can find an avenue that's already provided
- 17 for in statute to resolve that issue.
- 18 CHAIRMAN EATON: I want to thank staff and the
- 19 other speakers who spoke today. It really, really helped
- 20 the framework. And I think Senator Roberti asked for it.
- 21 It hopefully met his expectations.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: It was, and I agree with
- 23 everything you said. It was very, very helpful.
- 24 CHAIRMAN EATON: Hopefully issues arise, review
- 25 of issues that may have been looked at in a historical

- 1 continuum that adjustments are made as we move down the
- 2 road. So thank you, Mr. Block.
- 3 The city manager who was not here yesterday
- 4 wanted to basically say thank you for coming down. We
- 5 have Mr. Soloman.
- 6 Mr. Soloman, welcome back.
- 7 MR. SOLOMAN: I think I was in your home town
- 8 yesterday. We had to go to Sacramento, and I'm sorry
- 9 that we didn't get to -- nobody was here from the council
- 10 or myself to welcome you folks.
- 11 My name is Steve Soloman. I'm the City Manager
- 12 here and it's a pleasure to have you folks here. I'm not
- 13 sure if this room was big enough. If you do come back,
- 14 we have some space at the convention center that's
- 15 actually larger than this, if you do want to come back.
- 16 It's a pleasure to have you here and we hope
- 17 your meeting was productive and that you enjoyed being in
- 18 the city. I do have some city pins for you that I would
- 19 appreciate if you would give to the Members of the Board,
- 20 and I want to tell you we appreciate what you folks are
- 21 doing.
- 22 We have, we believe, a pretty good program in
- 23 our city. I can tell that you personally I lived at a
- 24 time in Contra Costa County before any of the state
- 25 legislation was in existence, and I was on a non-profit

- 1 board that started a recycling program at a time that you
- 2 were kind of considered a communist if you believed in
- 3 recycling.
- 4 (Laughter)
- 5 MR. SOLOMAN: That shows you how old I am. That
- 6 was back, I think, in the '70s when you couldn't get a
- 7 public agency to spend a nickel because they thought it
- 8 was going to take money away from the landfills.
- 9 At any rate, you folks are doing a wonderful
- 10 job. We've come a long way, as I think you folks know,
- 11 and you're wrestling with issues which nobody would have
- 12 dreamed of 20 years ago.
- 13 So we appreciate it. Thank you.
- 14 CHAIRMAN EATON: Thank you, Mr. Soloman. You've
- 15 been a wonderful, wonderful host city.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: We do appreciate it.
- 17 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right. We'll be back here
- 18 at 1:15 promptly.
- 19 (Lunch recess taken)
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Welcome back, everyone.
- 21 Afternoon session. Any ex parte communications to
- 22 report, Mr. Paparian?
- BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: No.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yvonne Hunter and I talked
- 25 about ash. I made a mistake on something in the

- 1 legislation, but I don't think it affected the
- 2 discussion. And then a little discussion with Mr. Stover
- 3 from Lakewood.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: Ms. Moulton-Patterson.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: None.
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: Senator Roberti.
- 7 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: No ex partes.
- S CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Medina.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: None.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: I had none.
- 11 Before you begin, Mr. Schiavo, on Item Number
- 12 55, two items, one that was requested that this be made
- 13 part of the record from Riverside County Waste Management
- 14 Department, Michael Schier, Planning Manager. He asked
- 15 this be made part of the public record since he was not
- 16 able to attend. And Members, on Item 55 we'll be going
- 17 into a letter from Evan Edgar regarding SB 1066
- 18 implementation. That is being distributed to all
- 19 Members.
- 20 MR. SCHIAVO: Pat Schiavo, Deputy Director of
- 21 the Diversion, Planning and Local Assistance Division,
- 22 and I'm here to present Item Number 55, discussion of the
- 23 implementation process for SB 1066, including a report on
- 24 the proceedings of the workshops completed to date. And
- 25 actually, this will be co-presented with Cara Morgan and

- 1 myself.
- 2 SB 1066 was authored by Senator Sher and it
- 3 refers to an extension process for local jurisdictions to
- 4 have additional time in order to meet the AB 939
- 5 diversion requirement of 50 percent in the year 2000.
- 6 In order to solicit comments and get the word
- 7 out to jurisdictions regarding what the process could
- 8 look like and also hear from them regarding concerns,
- 9 staff conducted 11 workshops throughout the state which
- 10 were attended by 240 jurisdictions. Most of these
- 11 workshops were also attended by Board Members, and that
- 12 was very much appreciated by the local jurisdiction
- 13 representatives that were out in the field.
- 14 The nature of the workshops was that they were
- 15 very informal and interactive in nature, and there were
- 16 three main areas that we covered at the workshops. One
- 17 was we discussed what the law actually -- what is in the
- 18 law and so we tried to convey to our best knowledge the
- 19 intent of the law and what was prescribed and we had
- 20 extensive discussion regarding that. -
- 21 We also discussed the alternative draft
- 22 applications and you'll be hearing more about that in the
- 23 next item. Jurisdictions solicited many comments that we
- 24 attempted to input into that application process. And
- 25 finally, staff solicited comments regarding the overall

- 1 process regarding SB 1066, how it could be rolled out,
- 2 and you'll be seeing results of that as we go through
- 3 this process.
- 4 Before we get into discussion of exactly what
- 5 1066 is and some of the major issues, there was one theme
- 6 that seemed to come across at most of the workshops.
- 7 There was confusion regarding what is the goal year and
- 8 what can the Board -- what decisions are in front of the
- 9 Board regarding this whole process. And I'm going to
- 10 commonly refer to it as the goal year, the year 2000,
- 11 when jurisdictions have to meet their 50 percent
- 12 requirement.
- 13 There was confusion regarding what is the goal
- 14 year. There were some jurisdictions who believed it was
- 15 January 1st, 2001 -- or 2000, when actually it is through
- 16 the whole year of 2000. So it's December 31st 2000 when
- 17 the jurisdictions must perform. So we tried to clarify
- 18 that when we were in the field doing the workshops.
- 19 Regarding the options that are available to the
- 20 Board in the goal year, there's four major initial
- 21 options. The first is that the Board may find the
- 22 jurisdiction has met the 50 percent goal. If that's the
- 23 case, the jurisdiction is responsible for reporting
- 24 annually regarding their performance throughout, and
- 25 there is no termination date regarding the annual report

- 1 process.
- 2 Second, the Board may determine that a
- 3 jurisdiction has made a good faith effort. If that's the
- 4 case, the jurisdiction again is responsible for reporting
- 5 annually thereafter; again, with no termination date on
- 6 the annual reports.
- 7 The third option, which we'll discuss in more
- 8 detail today, is a time extension or an alternative
- 9 diversion requirement. If a jurisdiction is approved for
- 10 a time extension or an alternative diversion requirement,
- 11 after they come off of -- I'll use extension for example,
- 12 the Board then must determine whether or not the
- 13 jurisdiction has met the goal or not met the goal; and if
- 14 they have not met the goal, then the jurisdiction can be
- 15 placed on compliance order. And depending on how well
- 16 the jurisdiction performs in the compliance order
- 17 agreement, then the Board determines whether or not they
- 18 met the goal or may be subject to a fine.
- 19 Finally, in the goal year the Board could
- 20 directly place a jurisdiction on a compliance order very
- 21 much similar to the 95-96 biennial review process and
- 22 again, determination is made whether or not the
- 23 jurisdiction has met the terms of the compliance. If
- 24 they have not, they can either request an extension or
- 25 the Board again could determine whether or not a fine is

- 1 applicable in this particular case.
- 2 Cara's going to walk you through some of the
- 3 details of the process.
- 4 MS. MORGAN: Cara Morgan, Office of Local
- 5 Assistance.
- 6 As Pat mentioned in the overview, SB 1066 gives
- 7 jurisdictions an opportunity to submit a request for a
- 8 time extension or an alternative diversion requirement.
- 9 We're going to go into details about the difference
- 10 between the two.
- 11 The time extension is for cities, counties or
- 12 regional agencies. Alternative diversion requirement is
- 13 only for a city or a county. What I would like to do is
- 14 take you through the differences between time extension
- 15 and alternative diversion requirements, and in your
- 16 agenda item, on page 3 of the item is a chart which
- 17 compares time extensions and alternative diversion
- 18 requirements. So I'll be going through that chart if you
- 19 would like to refer to it.
- 20 As I mentioned, time extensions can be requested
- 21 by city, county or regional agency, whereas an
- 22 alternative diversion requirement is for a city or county
- 23 only. Also, each of the extension requests must have a
- 24 SRRE, HHWE and Non-Disposal Facility Element submitted to
- 25 the Board. In the case of an alternative diversion

- 1 requirement, those documents must have been submitted
- 2 prior to 7-1-1998.
- 3 Another comparison between the two, for time
- 4 extension a jurisdiction must submit a plan of
- S correction. A plan of correction demonstrates how the
- 6 jurisdiction is going to meet the 50 percent diversion
- 7 requirement before the time extension expires. It also
- 8 includes the source reduction, recycling and composting
- 9 steps the jurisdiction will implement. That includes any
- 10 existing programs or new programs they will implement.
- 11 They also have to provide the date prior to the end of
- 12 the time extension when the 50 percent diversion
- 13 requirement will be met, and they also have to provide
- 14 the funding source for those programs.
- 15 For an alternative diversion requirement, they
- 16 must explain why a time extension was not previously
- 17 requested. For a jurisdiction who receives an
- 18 alternative diversion requirement, they must meet the 50
- 19 percent goal at the end of the alternative diversion
- 20 requirement.
- 21 In regards to Board findings, both require a
- 22 demonstration of good faith effort to implement their
- 23 source reduction, recycling and composting programs in
- 24 their SRRE. And as mentioned, for a time extension they
- 25 must demonstrate how they implemented the plan of

- 1 correction that was submitted to the Board.
- 2 In regards to an alternative diversion
- 3 requirement, in addition to good faith effort they must
- 4 demonstrate progress towards meeting the alternative
- 5 diversion percentage. They must also demonstrate how
- 6 they were unable to meet the 50 percent diversion
- 7 requirement despite implementing their source reduction,
- 8 recycling and composting diversion programs. They must
- 9 also explain why this alternative diversion requirement
- 10 is reasonable and feasible, how they can achieve it.
- 11 What the Board would consider in regards to time
- 12 extensions and alternative diversion requirements is
- 13 basically the same. Any specific jurisdiction
- 14 circumstances such as changes in the wastestream, maybe
- 15 facilities have not built, they're planned for the near
- 16 future, for example.
- 17 In regards to new requests, specifically for
- 18 time extension requests, the Board would consider the
- 19 extent to which the jurisdiction implemented the plan of
- 20 correction. And in regards to an alternative diversion
- 21 requirement, the jurisdiction would have to provide
- 22 information that the same circumstances as mentioned
- 23 previously still support this alternative diversion
- 24 requirement or they must demonstrate that now there are
- 25 new circumstances that have come up.

- 1 That's a comparison quickly of the two.
- 2 CHAIRMAN EATON: Those were prescriptive
- 3 elements, were they not, within the law?
- 4 MS. MORGAN: Yes.
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: Those are not elements that the
- 6 staff drafted up or anything?
- 7 MS. MORGAN: Yes, that's correct. Thanks to
- 8 Mr. Elliott Block for developing that chart.
- 9 In providing you an SB 1066 overview, at the
- 10 workshops Board staff presented the requirements that
- 11 were outlined in statute. Staff also presented an
- 12 alternative draft application and optional formats to
- 13 attendees, and we got a lot of feedback in regards to
- 14 that. Staff also solicited input from the attendees
- 15 regarding these optional formats, and we've incorporated
- 16 these comments in the final draft version which is in the
- 17 following agenda item.
- 18 Participants at the workshops, as Board Members
- 19 who attended the workshops know, they shared their
- 20 thoughts regarding the application process and the
- 21 criteria that they felt the Board should consider when
- 22 reviewing the applications.
- 23 Let's go ahead and give you an overview of the
- 24 application process. As CHAIRMAN Eaton mentioned, SB
- 25 1066 identifies specific criteria a jurisdiction must

- 1 satisfy when requesting either a time extension or an
- 2 alternative diversion requirement.
- 3 Based upon the specific criteria in the
- 4 legislation and suggestions from the workshop
- 5 participants, Board staff have developed a guide for
- 6 submitting 1066 applications to the Board. The guide is
- 7 intended to provide direction on the information and
- 8 documentation that is needed to meet the requirements
- 9 identified in PRC sections 41820 and 41785. The guide
- 10 was also developed to save jurisdictions time and reduce
- 11 their costs when submitting a time extension or
- 12 alternative diversion requirement.
- 13 I would like to mention here that it's the
- 14 intent of the Office of Local Assistance to work very
- 15 closely with the jurisdictions in helping them conduct
- 16 needs assessments, identify what their program gaps are,
- 17 and help them through the process of completing the
- 18 application.
- 19 Statute also requires the Board to consider each
- 20 request for time extension or alternative diversion
- 21 requirement. The Board has directed staff to prepare
- 22 procedures for requests rather than proceed with
- 23 regulations whenever possible. To use procedures, the
- 24 Board must consider each jurisdiction on a case-by-case
- 25 basis rather than developing prescriptive standards more

- 1 detailed than the statute.
- 2 It should also be mentioned that Board staff
- 3 will continue to use electronic media to facilitate this
- 4 process. We intend to have the application up on the
- 5 web. For those that don't have access to the web,
- 6 provided on disc so that it will be a less cumbersome
- 7 process than jurisdictions having to recreate their own
- 8 forms.
- 9 Staff suggests that time extensions and
- 10 alternative diversion requests follow much the same
- 11 process as the Board-approved review process currently
- 12 used for rural jurisdiction petitions to request a
- 13 permanent reduction in planning and diversion
- 14 requirements. Based upon this review process, Board
- 15 staff will review each request to determine its adequacy
- 16 in meeting the statutory requirements. Upon the
- 17 determination that adequate information has been provided
- 18 to meet the requirements, the request will be presented
- 19 to the Board for its consideration of the time extension
- 20 and alternative -- or alternative diversion requirement.
- 21 And as I mentioned, staff will be working up front with
- 22 jurisdictions to ensure that they meet the statutory
- 23 requirements very early in the process.
- 24 In regards to Board findings, to grant an
- 25 alternative diversion requirement under PRC Section

- 1 41785, the Board is required to make the following
- 2 findings at a public hearing: First, that the city or
- 3 county has made a good faith effort to effectively
- 4 implement the source reduction and recycling measures in
- 5 its SRRE, that they have demonstrated progress towards
- 6 meeting the diversion requirements, and that they have
- 7 been unable to meet the 50 percent diversion requirement
- 8 despite implementing those measures; also, that the
- 9 alternative source reduction, recycling and composting
- 10 requirement represents the greatest diversion amount that
- 11 the city or county may reasonably and feasibly achieve.
- 12 To grant a time extension under PRC Section
- 13 41820, the Board is required to make the following
- 14 findings at a public hearing: That the city, county or
- 15 regional agency is making a good faith effort to
- 16 implement their source reduction, recycling and
- 17 composting programs in its SRRE; and that the city,
- 18 county or regional agency submits a plan of correction;
- 19 the plan of correction will detail how it will
- 20 demonstrate -- how it demonstrates that it will meet the
- 21 50 percent diversion requirements before the time
- 22 extension expires; the plan of correction would include
- 23 the source reduction, recycling and composting steps it
- 24 will implement before the time extension expires, when
- 25 the 50 percent diversion requirement will be met;

- 1 identify any existing programs it will modify or new
- 2 programs that will be implemented to meet the 50 percent
- 3 diversion requirement, and they must also identify the
- 4 means by which the programs will be funded.
- 5 In considering the request, the Board may make
- 6 specific recommendations for the implementation of
- 7 alternative programs. If the Board disapproves the
- 8 request, it must also specify the reasons for
- 9 disapproval, and this is according to the statute. If
- 10 the Board grants a time extension or alternative
- 11 diversion requirement, the jurisdiction may also request
- 12 assistance from our staff in identifying model policies
- 13 and programs. So again, we would be working with them up
- 14 front on preparing the application, as well as assisting
- 15 them with implementing programs to help them meet that
- 16 time extension on the alternative diversion requirement.
- 17 There are a number of issues that Pat will be
- 18 going over with you to be discussed in today's item.
- 19 We'll be discussing the length of the extension,
- 20 reporting of performance, evaluation of programs, the
- 21 concept of extra credit, the approval process,
- 22 application timing, and good faith effort.
- 23 MR. SCHIAVO: Regarding the length of
- 24 extension, existing statute allows up to three years for
- 25 the first extension and then jurisdictions are allowed up

- 1 to two years for subsequent extension. The Board may
- 2 determine the Board has discretion regarding how long the
- 3 extensions may be, and the combined total of the
- 4 extensions cannot exceed five years nor can they go past
- 5 January 1st, 2006. So no extension can be in effect
- 6 after that date.
- 7 Reporting performance refers to the process of
- 8 jurisdictions reporting back to the Board regarding the
- 9 progress in implementing their time extension or
- 10 alternative diversion requirement, and for a time
- 11 extension the reporting is discretionary and some of the
- 12 ideas that were tossed out at the workshops included the
- 13 length of extension could be determined by the past or
- 14 historical performance of a jurisdiction, how well
- 15 they've been pursuing the goal. There was an idea thrown
- 16 out that maybe all jurisdictions should have irregardless
- 17 of the time frame or historical performance have the same
- 18 length of time from which or the same recurrence for
- 19 reporting back to the Board.
- 20 There was discussion regarding the frequency of
- 21 reporting could be determined by the length of the
- 22 extension. For example, if it was a three-year
- 23 extension, maybe we don't need quite as frequent
- 24 reporting as if it was a one-year extension.
- 25 Finally, statute does require that an ADR,

- 1 alternative diversion requirement, reporting is only
- 2 annual. There is no more frequent reporting than that.
- 3 Regarding evaluation of programs, the Board has
- 4 discretion what that process will look like. A couple of
- 5 options that were discussed a little bit it, wasn't in
- 6 much detail regarding this item, is that the evaluation
- 7 process could be very similar to our 1995-1996 biennial
- 8 review process, or another option is there could be more
- 9 scrutiny placed on this process or in this process,
- 10 meaning that staff would have to verify more information
- 11 and go out into the field and look at additional
- 12 programs.
- 13 One of the more creative ideas that was
- 14 discussed at length at several of the workshops was the
- 15 concept of extra credit. This is the implementation of
- 16 programs that don't have any direct impact on diversion.
- 17 Examples of this would include the procurement and green
- 18 building, market development activities, fixing disposal
- 19 reporting in a particular area that may impact other
- 20 jurisdictions; again, other activities that indirectly
- 21 support diversion and that we're trying to promote here
- 22 at the Board but don't directly bring forward diversion
- 23 such as a curbside program or green waste program would.
- 24 Regarding the approval process, statute requires
- 25 that jurisdiction requests must be heard or approved on a

- 1 case-by-case basis, and the Board process for the
- 2 approval could be again similar to the biennial review
- 3 process or again -- and require more scrutiny. So again,
- 4 that's just a product of where the Board wants to go with
- 5 that.
- 6 Regarding application timing, there was a lot ol
- 7 discussion regarding this and this tied back to the
- 8 very -- to the opening remarks I made at the second
- 9 slide. People didn't have a very good understanding of
- 10 what the goal year was nor what the Board had available
- 11 as far as options. So essentially the Board has
- 12 discretion of when this program would be implemented and
- 13 we heard mixed reviews. Some jurisdictions wanted to
- 14 hear after the year 2000 and wanted to see what their
- 15 goal achievement efforts would look like, and some
- 16 jurisdictions wanted more certainty and have some kind of
- 17 approval process before the goal year. Some of the ideas
- 18 were tossed around, if the process started this year, and
- 19 we talked a little bit about August-September for
- 20 example, jurisdictions would only have access to 1999
- 21 data. What this would do is give the Board only the
- 22 option then of determining whether or not to approve an
- 23 ADR or time extension and it wouldn't impact the goal
- 24 efforts.
- 25 If that's the case, if we do move it to

- 1 August-September time frame for jurisdictions to prepare
- 2 these plans, it's going to be reduced and then there's
- 3 some quality issues that may arise as a result of trying
- 4 to rush the process. And also there's a staff work load
- 5 issue regarding we're just trying to get through and
- 6 anticipate getting through the 97-98 biennial reviews
- 7 hopefully by this August, so there's that consideration
- 8 for us internally.
- 9 If the process -- when we're talking and we're
- 10 throwing out ideas, if we accelerated the biennial review
- 11 process in the year 2001, we would have the benefit of
- 12 having additional data available to us and that means the
- 13 year 2000 data. That means there would be more time to
- 14 adequately prepare for what a plan of correction would
- 15 look like so you could focus on proper wastestreams and
- 16 the proper generator types. We -- staff could have more
- 17 opportunity and time to prepare additional tools and get
- 18 out in the field and provide more consultation and
- 19 assistance in preparing the plans.
- 20 Also we had discussions tying the extensions or
- 21 ADRs to the 2000 biennial review process because part of
- 22 the process is what was your prior performance, and by
- 23 doing that we could eliminate some of the work load for
- 24 jurisdictions as well in not having to prepare a report
- 25 separately. Again what we heard is by not starting the

- 1 process next year, jurisdictions have concerns regarding
- 2 the certainty of process. The concern is that if they go
- 3 through the biennial review process and the Board
- 4 determines that they did not meet the goal, good faith
- 5 effort or 50 percent diversion, they would then be
- 6 subject to either a fine or compliance orders right off
- 7 the bat. And we discussed and talked in terms of a
- 8 process where within the annual report a jurisdiction
- 9 could sign a form or affidavit or some certificate that
- 10 would be a contingency for that occurrence in which if
- 11 the Board decided a jurisdiction did not meet the goal,
- 12 the jurisdiction would then have the opportunity in 90
- 13 days or 120 days, for instance, whatever you determine,
- 14 from which to submit a time extension or an alternative
- 15 diversion requirement and, therefore, they would not
- 16 necessarily be at risk at all. So we talked a lot about
- 17 that.
- 18 Then a final item is --
- 19 CHAIRMAN EATON: When you say the application
- 20 process, we're not talking like the slide you said the
- 21 process would be in June 2001. You're talking about a
- 22 long window beginning in June of this year and having the
- 23 jurisdictions choose which option they would like,
- 24 whether they want to come in early or wait and use the
- 25 placeholder. So I don't want the Board to get the

- 1 impression it's being delayed until June 2001. It would
- 2 be a wide window by which jurisdictions would want, they
- 3 have that available. Come in early and take the chances
- 4 with your '99 data. Others would feel fairly close and
- 5 be late but not be penalized for not coming in.
- 6 MR. SCHIAVO: You're right. That's a good
- 7 correction.
- 8 The last item was good faith effort, and statute
- 9 requires the Board to find that jurisdiction has made a
- 10 good faith effort in attempting to effectively implement
- 11 the programs that they identified in their Source
- 12 Reduction and Recycling Element. Statute, however, does
- 13 not define what a good faith effort is relative to SB
- 14 1066. It just makes mention of it but there is no
- 15 description. There was a significant amount of
- 16 discussion at the workshops regarding the application of
- 17 good faith effort.
- 18 SB 1066 does not and did not, implementation of
- 19 it, delete the possibility of the Board finding
- 20 compliance with the year 2000 requirement based on good
- 21 faith effort. In fact, parts of Public Resources Code
- 22 41850 were changed as a result of SB 1066. However, the
- 23 portion dealing with good faith effort did not change at
- 24 all, so that leads us to believe that there was always
- 25 the intent to have two different types of good faith

- 1 effort. Those two types of good faith effort deal with
- 2 both either meeting the goal or being eligible for a SB
- 3 1066 time extension or alternative diversion requirement.
- 4 That concludes our presentation. Any questions
- 5 or discussion?
- 6 CHAIRMAN EATON: Public members, Ms. Yvonne
- 7 Hunter.
- 8 MS. HUNTER: Good afternoon. Yvonne Hunter
- 9 with the League of California Cities, and I've waited a
- 10 long time to be up here. So to see this process I think
- 11 come to fruition, I want to compliment the staff on the
- 12 quality of the background material. I think it's quite
- 13 thorough. I didn't attend all 11 workshops. I attended
- 14 one, but I talked to a number of folks that were there
- 15 and I think your staff did a great job synthesizing the
- 16 points that were raised, the key policy issues for you.
- 17 The application looks quite streamlined. I know that's
- 18 the next item, but my compliments to the staff.
- 19 And I should note that we worked closely with
- 20 the Waste Board staff, Senator Sher's office, myself, the
- 21 League was the sponsor of the bill, as well as the
- 22 committee consultant from Assembly Natural Resources. We
- 23 worked with Waste Board staff in the sense of making sure
- 24 what was in the statute time line-wise worked out and, in
- 25 fact, we had some extensive end-of-the-session tinkering

- 1 and it was the result of good staff work.
- 2 A couple of points that I would like to raise,
- 3 and I really don't have answers for them and I've talked
- 4 to your staff and I think some of you about them, but I
- 5 think they need to be considered in your deliberations.
- 6 Recently I got educated on the difference
- 7 between January 1, 2000 -- the statute says you shall
- 8 reach 50 percent by January 1, 2000. I learned the
- 9 difference between that and the goal year, and obviously
- 10 the goal year has been in effect for quite a long time.
- 11 As it relates to SB 1066, though, at least in my mind and
- 12 I think a number of folks, there's a certain amount of
- 13 confusion and to me it's a little bit like quantum
- 14 physics. I know it's out there and I can't quite get my
- 15 hands on it.
- 16 If the statute says you shall reach 50 percent
- 17 by January 1, 2000, yet the goal year is all of 2000, and
- 18 whenever you come up with the date when jurisdictions are
- 19 going to submit their application for, let's say, an
- 20 extension, and those are all valid issues that
- 21 Mr. Schiavo raised, when does the extension begin? Does
- 22 it begin the date you give it? Is it retroactive? The
- 23 statute says all of this sunsets. No extension is valid
- 24 after -- I think it's January 1, 2006. So -- I in no way
- 25 mean this is intentional, but I want to make sure that

- 1 jurisdictions aren't unintentionally shortchanged and
- 2 don't really end up with the opportunity to have five
- 3 years' worth of extensions.
- 4 I think we need to work this through. I've
- 5 chatted with I think a couple of Board Members and a
- 6 couple of the advisors and it might be useful to have a
- 7 number of folks chart it out. I know that's not the
- 8 Board's intent, but I think we need to be aware of that.
- 9 Also adding to the mix of this, the statute says
- 10 all of this sunsets on January 1, 2006. The goal year
- 11 ends December 31st, '06. I don't know if this was after
- 12 the five years, in the middle of the five years. To me
- 13 it's sort of like quantum physics and I think we need to
- 14 figure this one out.
- 15 As far as when the application process starts,
- 16 this bill was enacted in 1997. About a month after it
- 17 was enacted, I started getting telephone calls from
- 18 jurisdictions, inquiring when can they submit their
- 19 application. Now, I think everyone has settled down a
- 2.0 little bit and have benefited from the discussion of the
- 21 workshops. My recommendation would be to give folks as
- 22 much leeway and early opportunity to submit, an
- 23 application. I think the proposal that Pat talked about
- 24 whether you have your choice, do you want to do it early,
- 25 do you want to do it as part of your annual report, do

- 1 you want to do it as -- we're putting the Board on notice
- 2 we think we're going to ask for an extension or wait
- 3 until you have all the numbers.
- 4 A third alternative could be to -- because we
- 5 know there are lots of jurisdictions that know there's no
- 6 way, let's just assume they all have accurate numbers,
- 7 that they're going to meet the 50 percent. They're very
- 8 unsettled, they're very concerned, and I would encourage
- 9 you to consider some sort of process where they just send
- 10 a notice, send you a letter. "We think based upon our
- 11 numbers now that we're not going to meet 50 percent. We
- 12 want to notify you that we anticipate submitting a
- 13 request for an extension." I think something like that
- 14 would go a long way to reassuring jurisdictions.
- 15 As far as the good faith effort definition, my
- 16 memory is that -- I don't think it was intentional to
- 17 have the different good faith efforts standard for 1066
- 18 as opposed to compliance orders. I need to go back and
- 19 consult with Senator Sher's staff, but I don't think so.
- 20 I think it was an oversight, and perhaps in the bill that
- 21 we're working on with Senator Sher we can cross-reference
- 22 that because it should be good faith effort based upon
- 23 your policy that you adopted in February of whenever it
- 24 was, '95.
- 25 So thank you for having us on the agenda. Thank

- 1 you for taking the time to listen to my comments and I'll
- 2 be happy to answer any questions.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: Questions? Thank you.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I have one question.
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER JONES: We're kind of talking about
- 7 55 and 56 really.
- 8 MS. HUNTER: Yes, we are. I thought you were
- 9 talking percentage.
- 10 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I'm going to get to that.
- 11 On the application that we're going to go over
- 12 here pretty quick, I want to get a sense from the cities
- 13 of -- the law basically says identify the programs, see
- 14 how -- what you're going to do to be able to move to the
- 15 next step, and there is a perception that in the
- 16 application package we're saying -- we're asking the
- 17 applicant to say what percentage of -- what percentage of
- 18 diversion do you think you're going to achieve.
- 19 One of the things that I was wondering about,
- 20 and it may not be able to be done but we need to think
- 21 about it, a lot of jurisdictions rush to an SRRE. They
- 22 have since had to really look at the wastestreams to see
- 23 where they get the biggest bang for the buck.
- 24 Does it make sense in an application -- in the
- 25 application to say in a line what part of the wastestream

- 1 do you think you're going to identify with this program,
- 2 meaning -- let's say you never went after green waste but
- 3 you know that green waste is 35 percent of your
- 4 wastestream and it's a program you never did, and you
- 5 said I think this represents 35 percent of our
- 6 wastestream and we think if we're really successful,
- 7 we're going to be able to recover 40 or 70 percent of
- 8 that, meaning there's going to be a number of around 20
- 9 percent.
- 10 The reason I bring it up is I don't want cities
- 11 to think we're just looking at the number because we've
- 12 always balanced programs with numbers, but I also want to
- 13 see if there's value. And I throw this out as a question
- 14 to the affected parties. If we ask the question what
- 15 part of the wastestream do you think you can affect, it
- 16 makes them focus on really looking at their wastestream
- 17 rather than saying I want to put another truck on, so I
- 18 think I'm going to get another 2 percent of the
- 19 wastestream or I'm going to add junk mail.
- 20 It lets them think about that percentage of the
- 21 wastestream that they're going to attack in the program.
- 22 Do you think there's value in there, for no other reason,
- 23 to make them think about it and also not to just rely on
- 24 the numbers?
- 25 MS. HUNTER: I'm going to give a very

- 1 preliminary comment. I just looked here and tried to
- 2 identify either real life city people that do these
- 3 programs or consultants that work with cities, and they
- 4 might be able to give you an idea.
- 5 I would think that you're absolutely right.
- 6 When SRREs were developed, this was brand-new. Waste
- 7 characterizations was brand-new, and it's ten years,
- 8 virtually, ten years since then and we've all learned
- 9 quite a lot. I would suspect that jurisdictions probably
- 10 have a much better idea about the complexity of their
- 11 wastestream and where there are opportunities for
- 12 diversion and the programs they're going to select are
- 13 going to be based upon that. So my suspicion is, but I
- 14 don't want to say this definitively, you'll get that
- 15 anyway, what you're talking about, by virtue of their
- is thought process when they figure out what programs they
- 17 think they're going to do.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: If we say estimated
- 19 percentage of diversion, we're okay because they're
- 20 identifying what they can do.
- 21 MS. HUNTER: I think --
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: What I don't want to get is
- 23 have somebody tell us all you're thinking about is the
- 24 numbers. You know what I mean?
- 25 MS. HUNTER: I understand that. I think so but

- 1 I don't know.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: That's fair.
- 3 MS. HUNTER: I don't know.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER JONES: We'll find out later. I
- 5 want people thinking about --
- 6 MS. HUNTER: Steve, they're going to have to go
- 7 through part of that process because they're going to say
- 8 we need another 10 percent and in order to do that we
- 9 think we're going to do this program, this program, and
- 10 this program. Like their SRRE5, they've based the
- 11 programs upon some reasonable expectation of success and
- 12 accomplishment.
- 13 Thank you very much on behalf of all the cities
- 14 and I'll say the counties, since I have the CSAC banner
- 15 as well. Thank you very much.
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Edgar, is it short? The
- 17 reason why, this is a discussion item and unfortunately
- 18 due to unavoidable circumstances one of our Board
- 19 Members, who was totally unexpected to be here today at
- 20 that time and made some previous commitments that cannot
- 21 be avoided. So therefore, what I would like to be able
- 22 to do, with the Board's concurrence, is to hold off,
- 23 finish the discussion on Item 55 since it's only a
- 24 discussion item and not deliberation, take item 56 for
- 25 purposes of opening the roll and Item 57 for purposes of

- 1 opening the roll and then go back through.
- 2 With no objection to that, Mr. Block.
- 3 MR. BLOCK: No.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: Okay. So we can just continue
- 5 that.
- 6 Item Number 56. For purposes of this, Madam
- 7 Secretary, could you open the roll for Mr. Paparian.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN, I'd like to
- 9 move adoption of Resolution 2000-266, consideration of
- 10 approval of SB 1066 application process.
- 11 CHAIRMAN EATON: I'll second.
- 12 Mr. Jones moves and Mr. Eaton seconds we adopt
- 13 Resolution 2000-266.
- 14 Madam Secretary, please call the roll.
- BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: No --
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Member Medina.
- 18 CHAIRMAN EATON: No, just Mr. Paparian.
- 19 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Member Paparian.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 21 CHAIRMAN EATON: Okay. We'll put that off for a
- 22 time.
- 23 Item Number 57.
- BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.

- 1 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN, I would like
- 2 to move adoption of Resolution 2000-269 revised,
- 3 consideration of approval of contractor to implement the
- 4 landfill facility compliance study.
- 5 CHAIRMAN EATON: Second.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Second.
- 7 CHAIRMAN EATON: I'm sorry.
- 8 Mr. Jones moves and Ms. Moulton-Patterson
- 9 seconds we adopt Resolution 2000-269 revised.
- 10 Madam Secretary, please call the roll.
- BOARD SECRETARY: Board Member Paparian.
- 12 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Aye.
- 13 CHAIRMAN EATON: Okay. If we can return then to
- 14 Item Number 55. Good luck, Mr. Paparian.
- 15 BOARD MEMBER PAPARIAN: Thank you, CHAIRMAN and
- 16 Board Members.
- 17 CHAIRMAN EATON: On your way out if you'll
- 18 kindly fill out the comment slip on how we did up here.
- 19 (Laughter)
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: It would be most helpful. I
- 21 know Mr. Medina has filled out his.
- 22 Mr. Edgar.
- 23 MR. EDGAR: Evan Edgar, Edgar and Associates, on
- 24 behalf of the California Refuse Removal Council. We
- 25 supported SB 1066 in 1997. Today we support Item Number

- 1 56.
- 2 We submitted a letter in the record and we
- 3 believe SB 1066 was clear in statute. We had good staff
- 4 work today, and the main question was about timing. When
- 5 it comes to timing, we really feel that it's a good time,
- 6 perfect timing for the industry. I believe it's a great
- 7 idea to have a letter of intent in order to have the
- 8 people who want to use year 2000 numbers to have a letter
- 9 of intent as it applies to SB 1066 later on next spring.
- 10 I know that it was adopted and passed in 1997 and the
- 11 last three years have been a tough time with regards to
- 12 when do we implement SB 1066.
- 13 I commend the CHAIRMAN for his leadership and
- 14 vision for the last couple of years because I know you
- 15 took heat from some people about when will this happen
- 16 at the time. With regards to the 1995 numbers, with 61
- 17 compliance orders and 64 good faith efforts has been
- 18 cumbersome for staff and a lot of people to try to do
- 19 time extensions and ADR5 at the same time. So by holding
- 20 off by having a validation of 1995 and achievement of the
- 21 1995 mandate, I think it's perfect timing now to unveil
- 22 SB 1066. So I think it played out for perfect timing for
- 23 the stakeholders that I represent. So I thank you for
- 24 that.
- 25 I represent the franchise haulers in the

- 1 communities and typically we have good numbers with good
- 2 programs and real tons and real people with real data,
- 3 and that's been proven during the Disposal Reporting
- 4 System that the franchise hauler has been able to supply
- 5 good numbers for the annual reports. So in 1999, we do
- 6 intend to supply good numbers and year 2000 we intend to
- 7 supply good numbers to our partners at local
- 8 jurisdictions so they have some real numbers to fill out
- 9 annual reports and then have a time extension, should
- 10 they want to apply for 1066 after year 2000.
- 11 I do have two comments that's embedded in the SB
- 12 1066 process and compliance orders. Number one is the
- 13 1995 Board enforcement program. It took a lot of time to
- 14 put that together. It's 28 pages, it's part one and part
- 15 two. It's kind of bulky, but it's been road-tested. As
- 16 I said, you've been through 61 good faith efforts and 64
- 17 compliance orders, and you guys actually unveiled the
- 18 program. I think that the program worked on enforcement,
- 19 but a lot of people are asking for what does it mean for
- 20 the year 2000, is there a certainty, and how can that be
- 21 revised based upon the road test to unveil a new 2000
- 22 Board enforcement program that maybe has an executive
- 23 summary, a little bit more successful, a proven
- 24 performance that this Board has done over the last year
- 25 and a half on compliance orders and good faith effort.

- 1 Good faith effort is defined as 28 pages but
- 2 maybe it could be reworked in order to kind of give it
- 3 the certainty that some people may need. So we would
- 4 recommend maybe take a look at the 1995 Board enforcement
- 5 program and see if it can be updated for the year 2000
- 6 for the year 2000 mandate.
- 7 The second thing has to do with the draft waste
- 8 diversion guide. I've been in front of this Board for
- 9 the last three months speaking about the draft diversion
- 10 guide that was put out by staff in November 1999. As
- 11 part of the compliance orders and SB 1066 implementation,
- 12 the jurisdictions have the opportunity to do a waste
- 13 generation study, which is a valid opportunity and we
- 14 would support that, but as part of the waste diversion
- 15 quide, it hasn't been approved by the Board yet. In
- 16 fact, there is a disclaimer in front of the guide that
- 17 says it was provided by staff.
- 18 on a case-by-case basis some jurisdictions have
- 19 already been approved on a new waste diversion guide
- 20 whereby there's been 20 to 30 pounds per person per day
- 21 and it's kind of high in some areas. And on a
- 22 case-by-case basis it's been working, but I believe that
- 23 that has needed a peer review. There were some workshops
- 24 in October which I attended and many people commented on
- 25 the peer review with regards to looking at the waste

- 1 generation study. And the guide, if that were to come
- 2 back in front of the Board with that peer review, I think
- 3 there would be a lot of comfort level from people who
- 4 believe that some of the computations my be a little
- 5 exaggerated.
- 6 I think if we're not careful, California would
- 7 over-generate and over-consume our way to achieve
- 8 resource conservation goals by generating over 70 million
- 9 tons a year of waste. In the year 2000, using this draft
- 10 waste diversion guide, if we have a comprehensive reality
- 11 check on that guide, I think it would be very useful for
- 12 a lot of people who are doing a lot of the waste
- 13 generation studies.
- 14 I thank you for the opportunity today. SB 1066
- 15 is going to work for a lot of people. Thank you.
- 16 CHAIRMAN EATON: Thank you, Mr. Edgar. Last
- 17 slip is Mr. Mark White, City of Half Moon Bay.
- 18 MR. WHITE: Thank you, Members of the Board. I
- 19 wanted to speak to Mr. Jones's question with regard to
- 20 identifying specific wastestreams and bring two contrary
- 21 examples. The City of Half Moon Bay has a lot of sewage
- 22 sludge that I need to find a home for and we have some
- 23 construction debris, and both of those fall very well
- 24 within your recommendation that we have an identified
- 25 program for identified wastestreams.

- 1 The City of Concord doesn't have nice neat
- 2 categories like that. They're a little closer to the
- 3 mandate than Half Moon Bay is, but still if they had to
- 4 come up with a nice neat category it would be tough for
- 5 them and for Half Moon Bay would be a piece of cake.
- 6 I think we've got to have some fairly broad
- 7 ranges without going out and redoing a waste comp study,
- 8 a very expensive process, of being able to respond to
- 9 that question.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. White, just out of
- 11 curiosity. Half Moon Bay has a lot of C&D. Is that
- 12 because of the growth that's there?
- 13 MR. WHITE: We're getting hotels coming in, lots
- 14 of housing construction and this year having a major
- 15 rebuild of one of our nurseries, which is one of the
- 16 biggest nurseries in the country. It turns out while
- 17 they're doing their rebuild, they're also recycling a lot
- 18 of that material.
- 19 CHAIRMAN EATON: Is there any talk amongst the
- 20 local elected body there about having a C&D ordinance,
- 21 that they work through the permit process to assist the
- 22 jurisdiction? We've seen -- at least that's where some
- 23 of the evidence has been in other jurisdictions. If you
- 24 need some of those, I think our staff has developed --
- 25 MR. WHITE: I stole one from your staff last

- 1 year and we've done it already.
- 2 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right.
- 3 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Mr. CHAIRMAN.
- 4 CHAIRMAN EATON: Mr. Jones.
- 5 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I know we've made the
- 6 motion, but I think what Evan brings up about peer review
- 7 of that document, I've gone through that document. I
- 8 might go a little crazy.
- 9 CHAIRMAN EATON: I thought that was your
- 10 disclaimer.
- 11 (Laughter)
- 12 BOARD MEMBER JONES: I remember a meeting when I
- 13 said we didn't approve that. But maybe we ought to think
- 14 about some kind of mechanism to get that into some
- 15 people's hands to really go through so that when it does
- 16 go out, we've got some peer review. I think that's an
- 17 important step. It doesn't need to be part of the motion
- 18 but I think a nod of the head or something to make sure
- 19 that we can instruct staff, it would be worth waiting the
- 20 extra couple of months to have that thing reviewed so
- 21 it's accurate. 20 and 30 pounds per day to get -- in a
- 22 residential area always gets my blood pressure up.
- 23 CHAIRMAN EATON: All right. I think that's a
- 24 good idea, and if I hear Ms. Moulton-Patterson, she
- 25 wanted to return the favor with regard to America

- 1 Recycles Day. She thought maybe you would be the
- 2 volunteer to start that peer review process since you led
- 3 the original disclaimer. That isn't Board direction.
- 4 She telepathically communicated that with me that might
- 5 be something for you. I think it's a great idea for some
- 6 of the stakeholders and others as we go through. That's
- 7 Item Number 55.
- 8 Item Number 56. Mr. Schiavo.
- 9 BOARD MEMBER JONES: It can be quick, Pat.
- 10 There's already a motion.
- 11 (Laughter)
- 12 MR. SCHIAVO: I'm already behind. Staff
- 13 recommends approval of -- no. We have this whole
- 14 presentation for you. Consideration of approval --
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: We're sending you on the road
- 16 again?
- 17 MR. SCHIAVO: 11 workshops every Tuesday
- 18 Wednesday. Be there.
- 19 This item has to do with the application itself
- 20 and the process for completing the application, and the
- 21 what we did to build up this application is originally
- 22 what we did is we looked at the law and built an
- 23 application that was pretty much literally interpreting
- 24 the law. It ended up being -- the original version was
- 25 probably 50 or 60 pages. We took it on the road and

- 1 started soliciting comments and we knocked it down to 24,
- 2 25 pages. And eventually it's gotten down to --- it's
- 3 about a four- or five-page document overall based on a
- 4 lot of excellent comments and how we could take out
- 5 redundancies regarding the law and what it directs us to
- 6 do.
- 7 So this item puts together procedures for
- 8 completing the application and we're going to discuss the
- 9 application itself. And one thing that as mentioned in
- 10 the prior item is we're going to really focus a lot again
- 11 on electronic media, whether that be disc or the web
- 12 site.
- 13 So the content of the presentation is going to
- 14 include the major components as directed by law and one,
- 15 we have to have the cover sheet which contains the
- 16 information from who is submitting the application, the
- 17 reasons for the request, explanation again of good faith
- 18 effort, and the guts of the plan is the plan of
- 19 correction, how are jurisdictions going to get to their
- 20 achievement of the goal.
- 21 So Cara is going to go ahead and walk you
- 22 through quickly what it looks like.
- 23 MS. MORGAN: Cara Morgan, Office of Local
- 24 Assistance.
- 25 If you would like to, you might want to turn to

- 1 page 56-19 in your agenda. What we did is we put
- 2 together a sample completed application, a guide. If you
- 3 like, you can follow along as I go through each section.
- 4 As I mentioned in the previous presentation,
- 5 Board staff will be assisting jurisdictions in completing
- 6 the application. We feel this is really going to help
- 7 jurisdictions. We've tried to simplify the process so
- 8 it's not going to be costly or time consuming for them to
- 9 prepare. They will complete the sections of the
- 10 application depending upon what they're applying for.
- 11 The first section of the application is the
- 12 jurisdiction information and certification. Pretty
- 13 straightforward. Includes the contact information,
- 14 pretty basic stuff.
- 15 The second section is the cover sheet. This
- 16 covers eligibility. Eligibility refers to jurisdictions
- 17 must have submitted their Source Reduction and Household
- 18 Hazardous Waste and their Non-Disposal Facility Element
- 19 plans into the Board, and they have to basically tell us
- 20 which they're going for, time extension or alternative
- 21 diversion request, and how much time they're looking for.
- 22 Fairly straightforward.
- 23 Section three starts getting into really the
- 24 meat of the application. Section three is the
- 25 justification for the -- justification for the request.

- 1 In the example you're looking at, this is a time
- 2 extension. They have to tell us why the jurisdiction
- 3 needs more time. They need to be able to explain why
- 4 they need the time requested and then they need to
- 5 provide any information that supports the request. Also,
- 6 they need to address good faith effort. They are
- 7 required to justify why the SRRE programs did not meet
- 8 the goals, and in this case, the example that you have,
- 9 it was a compost facility that was not constructed in
- 10 time, so they were depending upon that facility to meet
- II their diversion goal. So they need more time to get that
- 12 facility built.
- 13 Jurisdictions requesting time extensions are
- 14 required to complete the plan of correction. This is in
- 15 the next section of the application. We were asking them
- 16 to provide their residential and non-residential
- 17 percentages, and this is a really important piece because
- 18 we want to be able to help jurisdictions target
- 19 appropriate wastestreams. We found in working with some
- 20 of the targeted jurisdictions that they may have focused
- 21 on their residential wastestream. Santa Fe Springs is a
- 22 good example of this. When less than one percent of
- 23 their total population is the residential sector, so
- 24 putting in a curbside program may not be obviously the
- 25 right way to go. We want to focus on their commercial

- 1 industrial. We're feeling this is important information
- 2 to help us target their efforts.
- 3 They also need to provide which programs they're
- 4 going to target. They need to tell us if they are new or
- 5 expanded programs. In many cases, jurisdictions have
- 6 implemented good programs but they need to expand them.
- 7 Many communities have implemented commercial diversion
- 8 programs, for example. They need to do more and expand
- 9 those efforts, get out more to their large generators.
- 10 They also need to identify the program funding
- 11 and implementation dates. They also need to show how
- 12 each program contributes to the diversion requirement,
- 13 and this gets back to Board Member Jones's comment about
- 14 including some information about what percentage of the
- 15 wastestream they will be targeting. We have not added
- 16 that into the application, but we can. You know we'll be
- 17 working with them. That's part of the process anyway
- 18 with our staff working with jurisdictions so we'll get at
- 19 it.
- 20 They need to show their existing program status.
- 21 Basically this is their Board-approved diversion rate and
- 22 programs. So it's information that the jurisdiction
- 23 already has. We're not asking them to go back out and
- 24 quantify all the waste in the wastestream doing waste
- 25 characterization studies. Very straightforward.

- 1 And finally at the bottom of that page that
- 2 deals with plan correction. They can provide the
- 3 supporting programs that can't be quantified but impact
- 4 the success of the diversion programs. This gets back to
- 5 our earlier discussion on extra credit, those programs
- 6 that are really critical to the success of these
- 7 diversion programs. Procurement, for example, in all of
- 8 the jurisdictions that the Local Assistance staff have
- 9 been working with, we've focused in on procurement, are
- 10 you setting the example as the city or county government
- 11 to be purchasing recycled content products, using green
- 12 building materials to help stimulate those markets.
- 13 on page 56-28 in your agenda, there's a sample
- 14 of a goal achievement. This is part of the application
- 15 that would be completed for an alternative diversion
- 16 requirement request. That's 56-28.
- 17 The primary difference between a plan of
- 18 correction and a goal achievement is that the
- 19 jurisdiction is describing the greatest amount of
- 20 diversion the jurisdiction can achieve. During that time
- 21 period, they aren't required to reach 50 percent, it's
- 22 what they're telling us they can achieve during that
- 23 period of time. They still have to identify the programs
- 24 that they're going to implement, whether it's new or
- 25 modified. They still have to identify the funding for

- 1 the programs, indicate the dates when new or expanded
- 2 programs will be implemented, and they still need to
- 3 identify what their current Board-approved diversion rate
- 4 is and identify supporting programs. So it's very
- 5 similar.
- 6 In section five of the application, again what
- 7 we tried to do with the application is give jurisdictions
- 8 the Board's profile database, their program annual report
- 9 information system database or PARIS, information that's
- 10 already there for them. They don't have to go out and
- 11 research and do a new study. So we're asking them if
- 12 their PARIS information, their program information is not
- 13 current, then we will provide them from the database a
- 14 printout that they can just update, very similar to the
- 15 streamlined process we now have for the annual report the
- 16 jurisdictions submit. So very straightforward.
- 17 Staff took the feedback from workshop
- 18 participants and we really focused on simplifying the
- 19 process. I think we've learned a lot in working through
- 20 the annual report system and streamlining that. We spend
- 21 a lot of time on trying to streamline this process, make
- 22 it straightforward for jurisdictions so they know what
- 23 the Board is expecting up front.
- 24 The application still meets statutory
- 25 requirements, but at the same time it's not too

- 1 complicated or cumbersome for a jurisdiction to complete.
- 2 Also, instead of recreating data, recreating reports,
- 3 creating their own form, jurisdictions can use the
- 4 existing information, the application with their annual
- 5 report information as one package. So in this way we
- 6 really see that the process is much more simple.
- 7 Also I think it's going to help our staff in
- 8 analyzing the applications. Instead of getting many,
- 9 many different types of applications and forms of data
- 10 and whatnot, up front everyone knows what's required so
- 11 it will be much easier for our staff as well.
- 12 In conclusion, staff recommends the Board
- 13 approve the proposed application for the SB 1066
- 14 requests. That concludes my presentation.
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: Questions? Okay. We have a
- 16 motion before us. We can redo the motion, but
- 17 Mr. Paparian would not be available.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: I see. You're opening
- 19 the motion again.
- 20 CHAIRMAN EATON: Correct.
- BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Fine. I see.
- 22 CHAIRMAN EATON: That way Mr. Paparian would be
- 23 on the roll. If there are no questions, Madam Secretary,
- 24 would you please open the roll on the motion, Number
- 25 2000-266.

- 1 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- 2 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Aye.
- 3 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 4 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Aye.
- 5 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- 6 BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Aye.
- 7 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 8 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 9 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN Eaton.
- 10 CHAIRMAN EATON: Aye. Okay.
- 11 Item Number 57.
- 12 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- 13 MS. MORGAN: Do you want to see how short I can
- 14 make this?
- 15 BOARD MEMBER JONES: One of the most important
- 16 policy programs we're going to do.
- 17 CHAIRMAN EATON: Self-examination with those.
- 18 MS. PACKA1.D: Good afternoon, CHAIRMAN Eaton and
- 19 Board Members. Rubia Packard with the Policy and
- 20 Analysis Office. I'm here to present Item Number 57
- 21 which is consideration of approval of contractor to
- 22 implement the landfill facility compliance study.
- 23 This item requests that the Board consider and
- 24 approve the contractor to implement the landfill facility
- 25 compliance study. The purpose of the study is two-fold:

- 1 First, to provide a comprehensive inventory of municipal
- 2 solid waste landfill performance in California that looks
- 3 across all environmental media including water, air and
- 4 gas; second, to conduct an assessment of current
- 5 regulatory requirements for MSW landfills, to determine
- 6 if those requirements are really effective in protecting
- 7 the environment for both the short-term and the
- 8 long-term, and to recommend possible improvements or
- 9 enhancements to the regulation of California's MSW
- 10 landfills.
- 11 The Board approved the scope of work for the
- 12 contract at its February 23rd-24th, 2000 meeting. Staff
- 13 solicited bid proposals via request for proposals. The
- 14 successful bidder is now being brought back to the Board
- 15 for approval. The funding available for the contract is
- 16 \$600,000 -- \$300,000 appropriated in the Board's 99-2000
- 17 budget and anticipating an additional \$300,000 to be
- 18 appropriated in the Board's 2000-2001 budget pending
- 19 approval of the Governor's budget.
- 20 Three bids were received during the RFP process.
- 21 Those bids were evaluated and scored consisting of a team
- 22 from the Air Board, the Water Board and our Board. The
- 23 proposals were evaluated based on overall approach and
- 24 organization, methodology, qualifications and resources,
- 25 and past work and references. Two of the three bidders

- 1 did not receive the minimum qualifying score of 85. The
- 2 one qualified. There was one qualified bidder and that
- 3 bid was opened. The bid from the qualifying bidder,
- 4 which was Geosyntech Consultants, was in the amount of
- 5 \$588,063. As of the deadline for protests with General
- 6 Services, which was the end of the week last week, we did
- 7 not receive any protests on this award or this selection
- 8 process.
- 9 Therefore, staff recommends that the Board
- 10 approve Geosyntech Consultants as the contractor for the
- 11 landfill facility compliance study and adopt Resolution
- 12 2000-269.
- 13 If you have any questions, I would be happy to
- 14 answer them.
- 15 CHAIRMAN EATON: Madam Secretary, would you
- 16 please reopen the roll on Resolution 2000-269 as revised.
- 17 BOARD SECRETARY: Board Members Jones.
- 18 BOARD MEMBER JONES: Yes.
- 19 BOARD SECRETARY: Medina.
- 20 BOARD MEMBER MEDINA: Yes.
- 21 BOARD SECRETARY: Moulton-Patterson.
- BOARD MEMBER MOULTON-PATTERSON: Yes.
- 23 BOARD SECRETARY: Roberti.
- 24 BOARD MEMBER ROBERTI: Aye.
- 25 BOARD SECRETARY: CHAIRMAN Eaton.

- 1 CHAIRMAN EATON: Aye.
- 2 MS. PACKARD: Thank you.
- 3 CHAIRMAN EATON: We have one public speaker,
- 4 Mr. Richard Anthony. Is there anyone else besides the
- 5 speaker during the public comment period?
- 6 MR. ANTHONY: My name is Richard Anthony. My
- 7 company is Richard Anthony and Associates. It's been a
- 8 while since I've actually sat through an official Board
- 9 meeting, but I've been involved in the business for the
- 10 last 30 years. In fact, my career closely tracks the
- 11 implementation and initiation of SB S and the Waste
- 12 Management Board. In fact, it's fun to be able to watch
- 13 this Board and I want to praise the progress we've made
- 14 in California.
- 15 When I was President of the California Resource
- 16 Recovery Association in the '70s, we were asked by an
- 17 oversight committee of the Senate what the recycling rate
- 18 was in California and it was around 6 percent. We've
- 19 gone a long way.
- 20 I just want to comment that during the '70s and
- 21 '80s when energy was escalating at 10 percent a year,
- 22 many of the public works departments were looking at big
- 23 garbage burners to burn all the waste to make energy, and
- 24 one of the reasons why the hierarchy was pushed so hard
- 25 was because we wanted to protect the paper and the metal

- 1 for the salvage industry and recycling industry, and if
- 2 you design the waste-to-energy plant for the entire
- 3 wastestream, there was no recycling to be left, which is
- 4 part of why we got to this hierarchy thing.
- 5 I wanted to add also on the peer review for the
- 6 base year, I really think the new base year is what
- 7 leveling the playing field is all about. It's wiping the
- 8 slate clean. It's taking care of a lot of issues that
- 9 were created in the early '90s that were false issues and
- 10 changed the way the numbers came. With a new base year
- 11 you actually go out and look for diversion and source
- 12 reduction. In the two base years that I've done
- 13 professionally, I've seen what I call an awakening on the
- 14 public works and the solid waste staff in terms of
- 15 recognizing what's a commodity and what's waste.
- 16 So I would just suggest on the peer review that
- 17 you also look at some of the base years you've already
- 18 approved, Palo Alto, San Luis Obispo. These are really
- 19 good examples and they might be a little better than what
- 20 Eugene promulgated.
- 21 But the reason I really came, I wanted to talk a
- 22 little bit about a tire bill that you're supporting, and
- 23 an answer I think for something that's been chronic in
- 24 California in terms of used tires. What I see working
- 25 with county governments and roads departments is that the

- 1 roads engineers have pretty much -- have basically
- 2 concluded that rubberized asphalt works. It really comes
- 3 down to it costs more money to do, but most roads budgets
- 4 are based on gas tax and they're limited, so they have a
- 5 certain amount of money that they're going to do for road
- 6 overlays. If when you raise the \$2 fee, instead of
- 7 putting that money into tire burners or whatever, that
- 8 that money was used like a bottle bill to be a bank
- 9 account to give to each roads department around the state
- 10 as a supplement for their aggregate, you would then close
- 11 the loop in terms of recycling tires, and with that
- 12 aggregate and with that surcharge, it would be rebated
- 13 back to the public works department to allocate it for
- 14 the road use, you'll find we would close that circle and
- 15 solve that problem.
- 16 I think when you look at that bill, look in
- 17 terms of what we did on the bottle bills and container
- 18 legislation in California, which has been so effective in
- 19 building an infrastructure to get the materials back in
- 20 the stream.
- 21 I appreciate what you're doing. I like this
- 22 Board and I look forward for another 30 years of getting
- 23 to zero waste.
- 24 Thank you.
- 25 CHAIRMAN EATON: Thank you, Mr. Anthony.

1 Any further comments? We'll stand adjourned 2 until June. Thank you very much. 3 Members, thank you for your patience today. 4 We'll see you then and have a safe trip home. 

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